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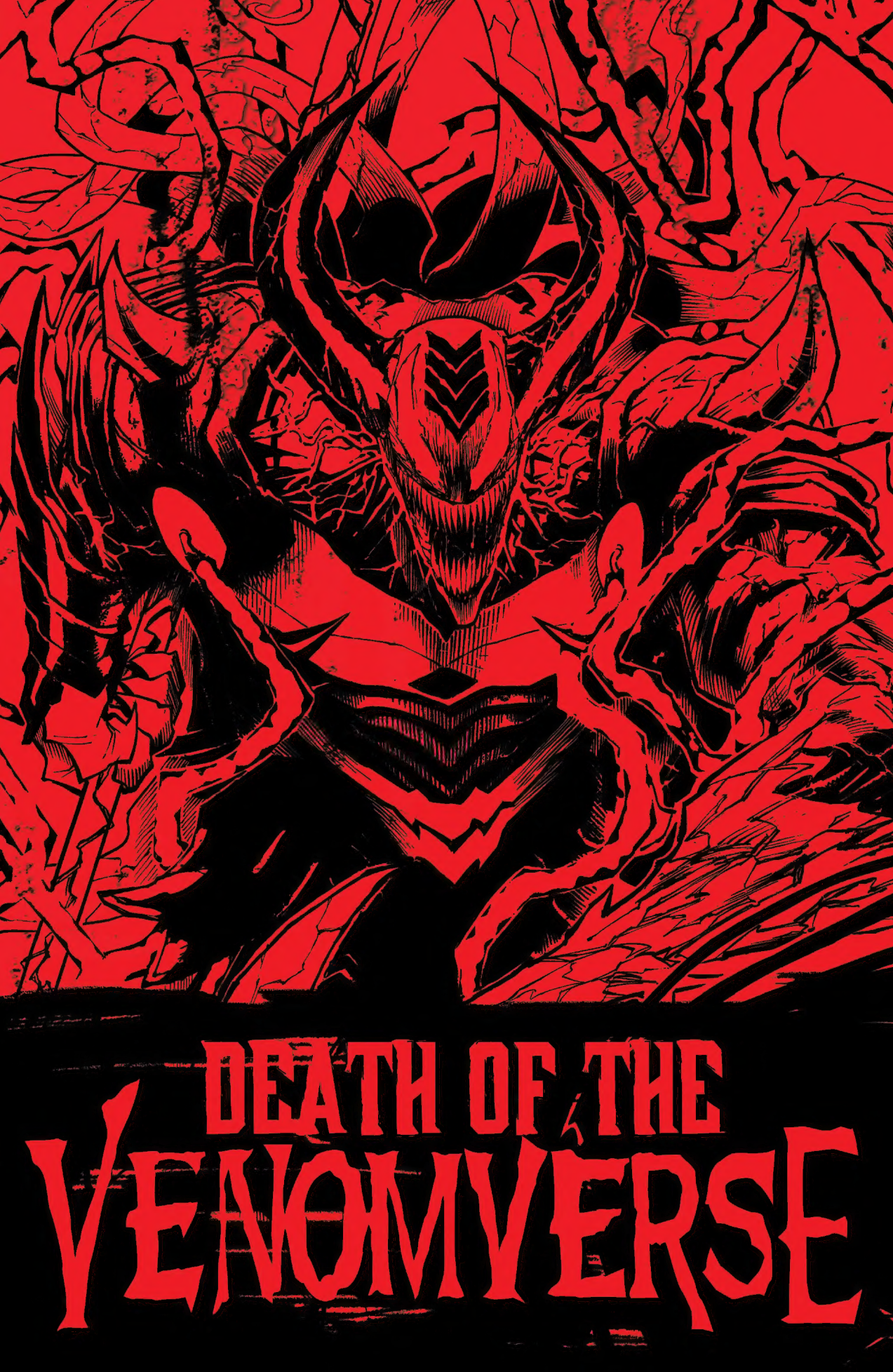
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THIS IS HOW IT BEGINS.
...ALREADY SERVIN' ELEVEN CONSECUTIVE LIFE TERMS!
MIGHT AS WELL MAKE IT AN EVEN DOZEN!
EH? TH-THE NIGHT! IT'S--
--ALIVE!
ALIVE?
ALIVE?!

THIS IS HOW IT ENDS.

YEEEAARRGH!

SLSSSGGK

WHAT IS THIS?

"ALIVE."

NOT HARDLY.

YOU WERE NEVER MEANT TO SEE ANOTHER DAY.

NOT EVER.

WHO ARE YOU?

YOU'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH.

BUT NOT FROM ME.

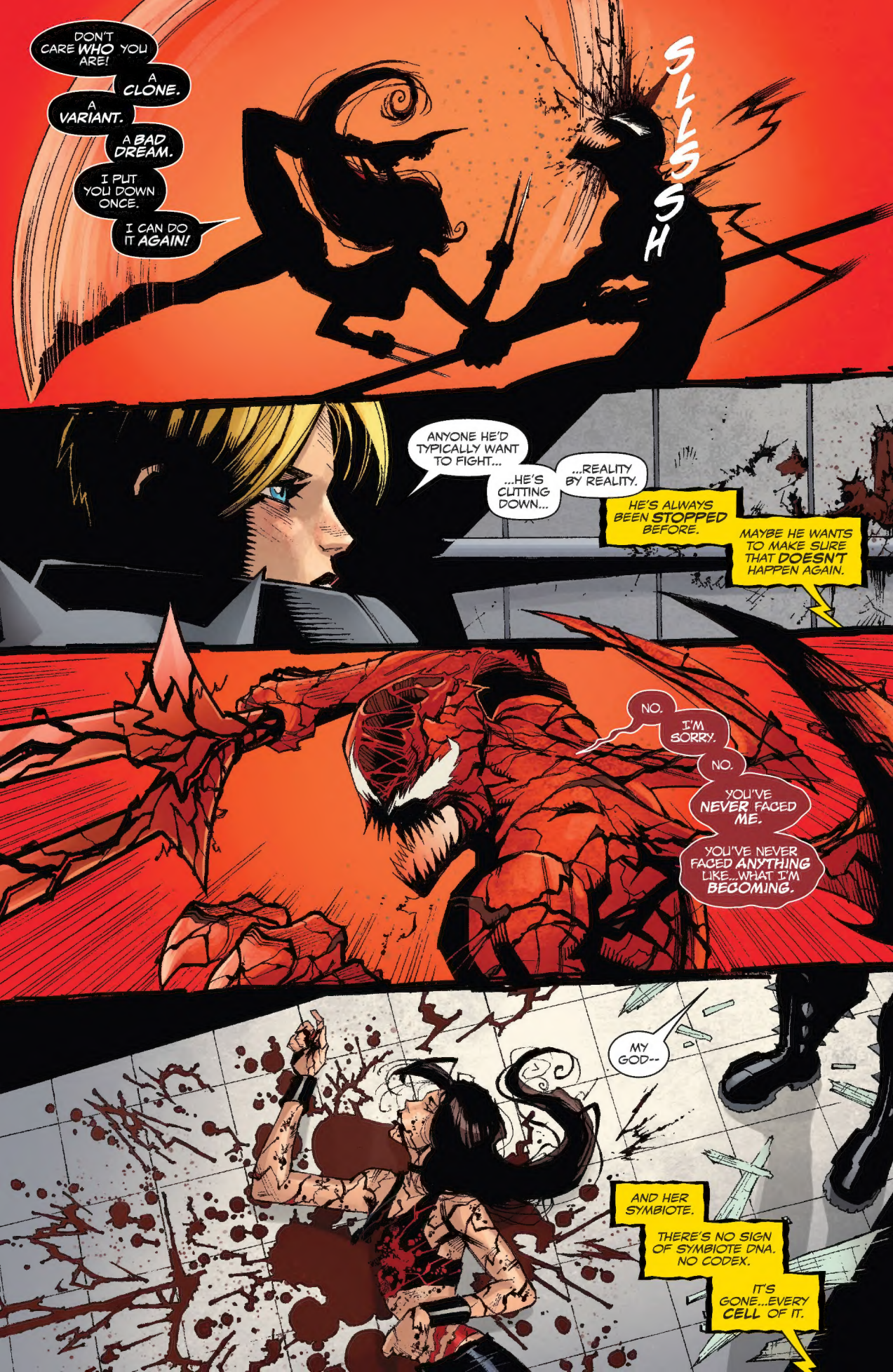
ME? I'VE GOT PLACES TO BE.

AND VENOMS TO KILL.

"WE'RE TOO LATE."
THEY PUT UP A FIGHT THOUGH.
THESE SCORCH MARKS...
...LOOK LIKE LASER BURNS.
AGENT VENOM.
ANNE WEYING.
EARTH-1051.
THIS GEAR... IT'S WAY BEYOND ANYTHING ON OUR WORLD.
MIGHT'VE TAKEN CARNAGE BY SURPRISE.
MAYBE HE GOT FRIED.
YEAH.
DIDN'T THINK SO.
WE COULDN'T GET THAT LUCKY.

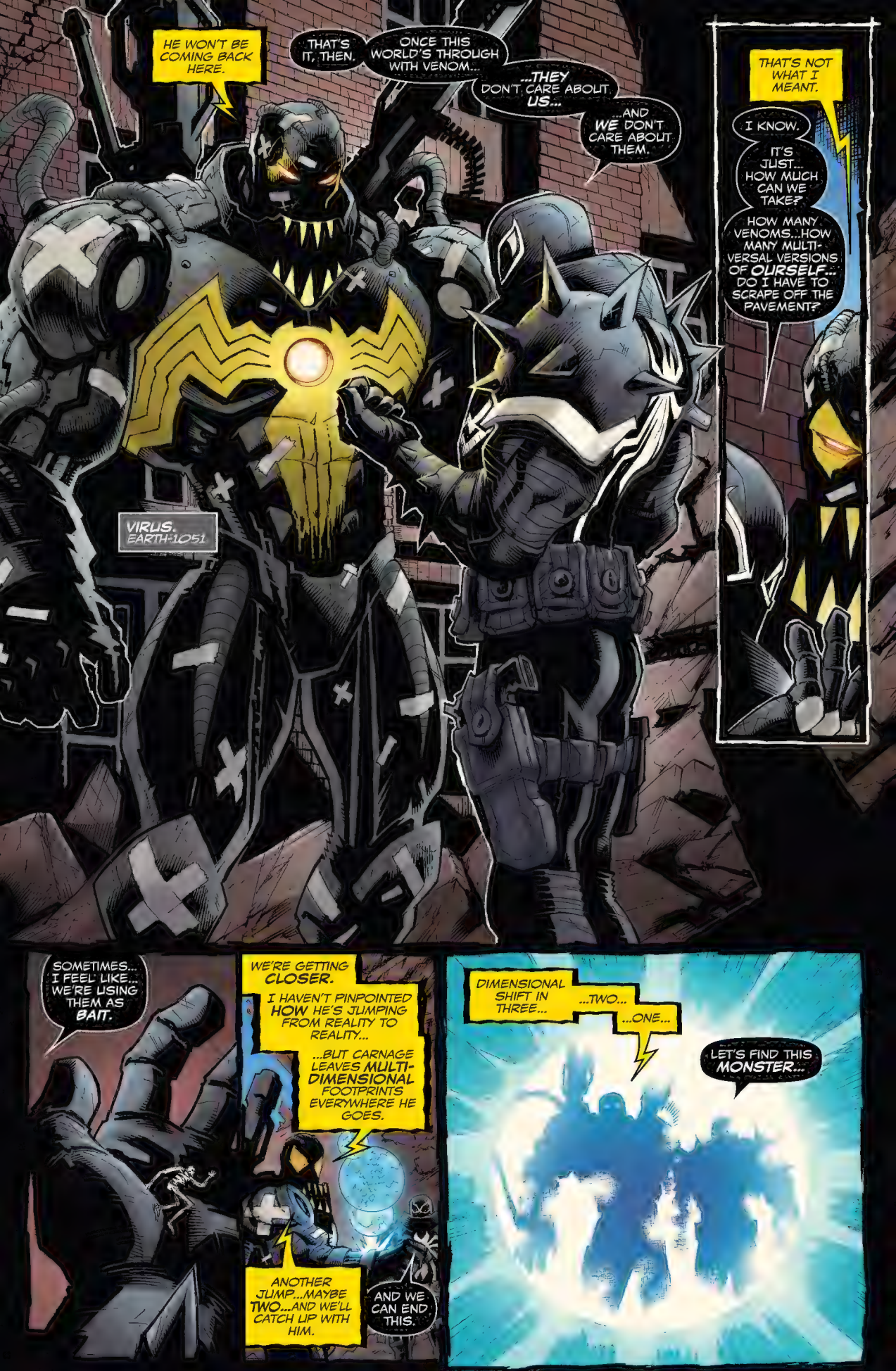
IT LOOKS LIKE...
...SOME SORT OF RACCOON.
HOW DID A RACCOON GET A SYMBIOTE?
INFINITE UNIVERSES...
...MEAN INFINITE POSSIBILITIES.
INFINITE VENOMS.
INFINITE?
THHP THRRRP THPPP
I DON'T LIKE THAT.
IT MAKES US SOUND SO DAMN...
...EXPENDABLE.
HOW MANY IS THAT NOW, VIRUS?
TWELVE?
TWELVE VENOMS FROM TWELVE DIFFERENT REALITIES.

"AND HE'S NOT SLOWING DOWN."
CARNAGE!
BUT I SAW YOU DIE!
I KILLED YOU MYSELF!
I'M NOT YOUR CARNAGE.
I BELONG TO NO ONE.
MY LIFE IS MY OWN.
WHAT DOES HE WANT?
HE'S ALWAYS BEEN A KILLER.
THIS TIME, THOUGH, HE'S SO METHODICAL.
SO FOCUSED.
WHAT DOES HE HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH?
"MAYBE FOR THE FIRST TIME..."
THAT'S IT. YES.
FIGHT, WOLVERINE!
TO BE HONEST, YOU HAVE NOTHING TO OFFER ME...
...BUT A CHALLENGE.
"...THIS IS ABOUT MORE THAN MURDER."
HE'S TRAINING.
HONING HIS SKILLS.
PREPARING FOR A FIGHT.
A FIGHT WITH WHO?


DON'T CARE WHO YOU ARE!
A CLONE.
A VARIANT.
A BAD DREAM.
I PUT YOU DOWN ONCE.
I CAN DO IT AGAIN!
SLLSSH
ANYONE HE'D TYPICALLY WANT TO FIGHT...
...HE'S CUTTING DOWN...
...REALITY BY REALITY.
HE'S ALWAYS BEEN STOPPED BEFORE.
MAYBE HE WANTS TO MAKE SURE THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN AGAIN.
NO.
I'M SORRY.
NO.
YOU'VE NEVER FACED ME.
YOU'VE NEVER FACED ANYTHING LIKE...WHAT I'M BECOMING.
MY GOD--
AND HER SYMBIOTE.
THERE'S NO SIGN OF SYMBIOTE DNA. NO CODEX.
IT'S GONE...EVERY CELL OF IT.

ALL RIGHT, CARNAGE!
YOU WANT TO PLAY ROUGH?
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE EXPECTING...
...BUT I'M NOT THE RUN-AND-HIDE TYPE OF ANT-MAN!
EVERYWHERE HE GOES, EVERY UNIVERSE WE VISIT--DESTRUCTION.
THAT PART OF HIS M.O. HASN'T CHANGED, I GUESS.
LOOKS LIKE GIANTS WERE BATTLING HERE.
THIS ISN'T YOUR DAY, PAL.
I'M NOT AN ANT YOU CAN CRUSH UNDERFOOT.
I'M THE ANT WHO CRUSHES YOU!
ALL THIS... AND IT WASN'T ENOUGH.

YEEEAAARRGGH!
BEST MAKE THIS QUICK.
WE'RE STRANGERS IN THIS UNIVERSE.
WON'T TAKE THEM LONG TO FIGURE OUT WE AREN'T SUPPOSED TO BE HERE.
THEY DON'T CARE.
SHUNK SHUNK
THEY ONLY WANT TO KNOW THAT THIS SORT OF THING WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN.
THEY'RE IN LUCK, THEN.
IT WON'T.
CARNAGE GOT WHAT HE WANTED FROM THIS REALITY.


HE WON'T BE COMING BACK HERE.
THAT'S IT, THEN.
ONCE THIS WORLD'S THROUGH WITH VENOM...
...THEY DON'T CARE ABOUT US...
...AND WE DON'T CARE ABOUT THEM.
VIRUS. EARTH-1051
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT.
I KNOW.
IT'S JUST... HOW MUCH CAN WE TAKE?
HOW MANY VENOMS...HOW MANY MULTI-VERSAL VERSIONS OF OURSELF... DO I HAVE TO SCRAPE OFF THE PAVEMENT?
SOMETIMES... I FEEL LIKE... WE'RE USING THEM AS BAIT.
WE'RE GETTING CLOSER.
I HAVEN'T PINPOINTED HOW HE'S JUMPING FROM REALITY TO REALITY...
...BUT CARNAGE LEAVES MULTI-DIMENSIONAL FOOTPRINTS EVERYWHERE HE GOES.
ANOTHER JUMP...MAYBE TWO...AND WE'LL CATCH UP WITH HIM.
AND WE CAN END THIS.
DIMENSIONAL SHIFT IN THREE...
...TWO...
...ONE...
LET'S FIND THIS MONSTER...

"...AND PUT HIM DOWN."
THIS ONE.
MANIA.
YES.
THIS ONE HAS POWER.
I CAN FEEL IT.
AS SOON AS I ARRIVED
YOU CAN'T HIDE IT.
POWER.
POWER. THAT BELONGS TO ME!

SHNK!

WHAT THE--?!

SHNK

YOU'RE MINE!

WHUUF!

FWOOSH

WH-WHERE DID HE--?

HNNGH!

I'LL DO ALL THE HELLISH THINGS YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN DOING!

THRNK

WHOA!

YOU DON'T DESERVE SUCH POWER!

ONCE I'VE CLAIMED IT...

...ONCE I'VE TAKEN YOUR GIFTS AS MY OWN...

YEAAARGH!

AAAHAHAHAHA! MORE...VENOMS...
TSOOM
Y-YOU THINK...
...I DON'T WANT THIS?
YOU THINK...
...THIS ISN'T WHY I'M HERE?
BI-AM BI AM BLAM
C-COACH?
AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED...
...YOU'RE HERE FOR TARGET PRACTICE.
NOT QUITE.
VWWWSSSH

WE'RE HIT!
GONNA TAKE 'ER DOWN!
THNK
MINE!
MEET US ON THE STREET FOR EXTRACTION!
BLAMBLAMBLA
DON'T WAIT FOR ME!
GET MANIA... AND HER HELL-MARK...OUT OF HERE!
I'LL KEEP CARNAGE BUSY!
DON'T BE SO SURE.
URRGGK!

WHO ARE YOU, LITTLE VENOM?
THIS ISN'T YOUR WORLD.
YOU'RE...
...FOLLOWING ME
A WORTHLESS ACT OF SELF-SACRIFICE.
SLLSH
CIRCLE TAKES THE SQUARE.
WA-BOOOM

IS THAT IT?
DID YOU GET HIM?
IS HE TOAST?
I DOUBT IT.
WHO ARE YOU?
YOU'RE NOT MY VENOM.
YOU DON'T SOUND LIKE HIM.
MY NAME IS ANNE WEYING.
I'M A FRIEND.
MY REALITY'S AGENT VENOM.
WE'RE NOT GOING TO LET HIM GET YOU.
I APPRECIATE THE EFFORT.
BUT YOU'RE ONLY POSTPONING THE INEVITABLE.
FOR ALL OF YOU.
CONTROLS HAVE TAKEN SOME DAMAGE.
IT'S GOING TO TAKE A SECOND TO RUN A BYPASS.
HOLD TIGHT.
THAT THING... IT'S STILL COMING FOR ME.
I CAN SNIFF YOU OUT...THREE LITTLE VENOMS FOR MY TALLY.
ITS NAME IS CARNAGE.
MAYBE YOU DON'T HAVE ONE IN THIS WORLD.
AND WE WANTED HIM TO FOLLOW US DOWN HERE.
WANTED TO BRING HIM...

"...INTO THE KILL BOX!"

AGENT SPIDER-MAN
PETER PARKER
EARTH-1051

AGENT DEADPOOL
WADE WILSON
EARTH-1051

AYE-AYE, CAP'N.

AGENT HAWKEYE
CLINT BARTON
EARTH-1051

ALL RIGHT, TEAM.

TEAR THIS GUY APART.

EXTREME PREJUDICE.

ON MY MARK.

NOW THIS...IS MORE LIKE IT!

MARK:

WHAT GOOD DO BULLETS DO?

HMM?

WHEN THERE'S NO WEAK, WEAK HOST WITHIN?

BRAKKABRAKKAB

WHAT DID HE SAY?

NO HOST?

LOOK OUT!

SHGNNK

THHNNNK

GET US OUT OF HERE!

TRYING TO GET A LOCK.

IT'S... IT'S GOT ME!
SPLLUT
YEEAAAAGHH--
JERK MOVE!
CUTTING MY PAL PETE IN HALF LIKE THAT!
GONNA RETURN THE FAVOR!
SGGKKLLL
EW!
GROSS!
HGGGRK!

WE'VE GOTTA HELP THEM!
WAIT!
DO NOT ENGAGE!
HE'S AFTER YOU FOR YOUR POWERS!
THROK
HEY!
YOU PICKED A FIGHT WITH ME!
LET'S GO!
SCCHNK
SHNNNK
SHNNNK
WE'RE READY TO JUMP!
WE... FAILED.
HE KILLED HER.
HE... ABSORBED HER POWERS.
WE GOTTA GO, BOSS. PUNCH IT, VIRUS!

I RID MYSELF OF THE WEAKNESS OF A HOST!
NOW... I'LL CONTINUE TO RID MYSELF OF EVERY OTHER WEAKNESS!
THEN... I'LL RID THE MULTIVERSE OF EVERY VENOM!
STARTING WITH YOU!
EEEEEEEEEE
S-S-SONICS
DIRTY TRICK
ONE THAT'S NOT GONNA LAST

"ONE...THAT WON'T SAVE YOU NEXT TIME."
UNNNFFH!
WE'RE CLEAR!
PORTAL'S CLOSING!
HE'S NOT FOLLOWING!
THAT LAST BLAST TOOK A LOT OUT OF HIM.
HE'S STILL WEAKENED BY SONICS.
AT LEAST WE'VE--
GET OFF!
I'M ALL RIGHT.
I CAN STAND ON MY OWN.
I DON'T NEED HELP.
S-SORRY.
NO. IT'S ALL RIGHT.
I JUST...
...I THOUGHT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO SAVE HER.
IF WE'RE GOING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...
...HIT-AND-RUN TACTICS AREN'T GOING TO WORK ANYMORE.
WE NEED TO HIT CARNAGE... HARD.
AND FOR THAT...

...WE'RE GOING TO NEED **EVERYONE.**

IT'S **WORSE** THAN THAT THOUGH.

I THINK... AND I DON'T KNOW HOW...THIS CARNAGE SYMBIOTE IS WORKING **WITHOUT** A HOST.

HE'S... **FREE.**

HE'S MORE POWERFUL NOW THAN **EVER** BEFORE.

AND HE'S GETTING **STRONGER** BY THE MINUTE.

BY THE **KILL.**

HE'S HUNTING ANY VENOM WHO CAN **BOOST** HIS ABILITIES.

AND THOSE WHO CAN'T...HE'S USING TO **TEST** HIS NEWFOUND POWERS.

AND WE ARE THE LAST LINE OF DEFENSE?

I...

...I DON'T KNOW IF WE'LL BE ENOUGH.

WE WERE CLOSE THIS TIME, BUT WE **STILL FAILED.**

WE LOST THE ASSET.

THE ASSET?

WHO WAS IT?

WHO'D HE KILL THIS TIME?

MANIA.

WHAT DID YOU SAY?
MANIA?
AND I?
YOU WENT AFTER MANIA... AND YOU LEFT ME ON THE BENCH?
IT WASN'T YOUR MANIA.
YOU THINK THAT MATTERS?
I KNOW IT DOESN'T.
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT, THOMPSON.
WE'RE GETTING BETTER AT TRACKING CARNAGE'S MOVEMENTS, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN WE KNOW WHO HE'S TARGETING.
IF I HAD KNOWN, THOUGH, I MIGHT HAVE LEFT YOU BEHIND ANYWAY.
IF YOU COULDN'T KEEP YOUR COOL, WE WOULD HAVE LOST YOU TOO.
THERE ARE OTHERS OUT THERE.
OTHER SYMBIOTES WITH REAL POWER.
WITH UNGODLY POWER.
AND WE'VE GOT TO PROTECT THEM.
WE'RE GOING TO STOP HIM.
AND WE'LL SAVE AS MANY VENOMS AS WE CAN ALONG THE WAY.
BUT WE HAVE TO BE SMART.
ALL RIGHT.
BUT YOU'RE NOT SIDELINING ME.
DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT.
IF WE'RE GOING TO HELP OTHERS, I'M COMING WITH YOU.
EVERY JUMP.
AND WHO KNOWS...

"...I MIGHT EVEN BE ABLE TO GET A LITTLE PAYBACK ALONG THE WAY."
KRAKKA-BOOM
MUST PURGE WEAKNESS.
SONICS.
FIRE.
SHRAKKA-BOOM
LIGHTNING, THOUGH, MIGHT BE A NICE ADDITION TO THE COLLECTION.

FIRE FROM THE SKY!
THUNDERLIGHT!
BOLTS FROM THE BLUE!
YOU THINK YOU'VE GOT WHAT IT TAKES?
TO RIDE THE LIGHTNING?
TO CONTROL THE HEAVENS?
COME AND GET IT!
SHZL-KOW
ZRAKKA
SHRA-THOOM
WHAT?
WHERE IS HE?
WHERE DID HE--?

YEAAAARRRGGH!
WASN'T SURE.
THOUGHT IT MIGHT KILL ME.
STILL NOT SURE IF IT WILL.
WORTH IT.
THE DIE IS CAST!

YOU STRIKE ONE OF US DOWN...
...YOU MUST STILL FACE THE REST OF THE HIVE...
...THE REST OF--
--THE SYMBIOTE SIX!

#1 VARIANT BY LEIRIX

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I DON'T NEED YOU.
ANYTHING I TAKE FROM YOU WOULD BE UNNECESSARY.
YOU'RE... SUPERFLUOUS.
UNFORTUNATELY FOR YOU, FRIEND, WHEN YOU PICK A BATTLE WITH ONE OF THE SYMBIOTE SIX...
...YOU PICK A BATTLE WITH ALL OF US.
I BELIEVE YOU MEAN "THE SYMBIOTE FIVE."
BUT DON'T WORRY.
YOUR FRIEND IS WITH ME STILL.
I SEE YOU FOR WHAT YOU ARE.
A HUNTER.
COLLECTING TROPHIES.
IN A WAY.
YES.
ONLY, YOU'RE NOT WORTHY OF COLLECTION.

AND SO... A TEST

RISE... ...MONSTERS OF EVIL!

WHAT IS THIS?

G-GET THEM OFF ME!

GET THEM OFF!

KRA-THOOM

RAAAAUGH!

HSSSSSRRRRRK!

SIX VENOMS... BROUGHT LOW IN HALF AS MANY MINUTES.

A SUCCESSFUL TRIAL RUN, I'D SAY.

I'M ALMOST READY.

SOONN. I'LL FACE THE ULTIMATE--

HIT THEM WITH EVERYTHING YOU'VE GOT!

WE'VE GOT ONE CHANCE AT THIS!

TAKE HIM DOWN!

AAAAAAAH. LOOK AT THIS!

I WAS WONDERING WHEN I WOULD SEE YOU NEXT.

THE WOULD-BE SAVIORS OF VENOM-KIND.

SACRIFICES TO THE GOD I'M BECOMING.

YOU'VE MADE A TERRIBLE ERROR IN JUDGMENT, MY FRIEND!

NEVER TURN YOUR BACK ON OTTO OCTAVIUS!

YOU CONFRONTED THE POSSIBILITY OF DEFEAT...WHILE IGNORING THE CERTAINTY OF YOUR DOOM!

YOU DISHONOR THE SANCTITY OF THE HUNT!

YOU ARE NAUGHT BUT A MURDERER!

NAUGHT BUT PREY!

SHRAK-BOOM
THIS IS NOT HOW I DIE
I AM BEYOND YOU.
BEYOND ANY OF YOU.
BEYOND ANYTHING YOU CAN THROW AT ME.
I HAVE CLAIMED THE ALL-BLOOD!
CLAIMED THE POWER OF DIMENSIONAL TRAVEL!
THE POWER OF SIZE MANIPULATION!
OF LIGHTNING AND HELL ITSELF!
AND MY ASCENSION IS NOT COMPLETE!
YET.
AND I'LL KEEP PLOWING THROUGH WHATEVER YOU CHILDREN THROW AT ME.
SHGGGNK

SHNNK
HRRRGK!
FWSSSSSH
YEARGH..
BLAMBLAMBLAM
THE WEAKNESS OF FLESH-- GONE!
THE WEAKNESS OF FLAME-- BANISHED!
YOU BASTARD!
AND YOU...
...NOT A WEAKNESS AT ALL...
...BUT A NUISANCE TO BE PURGED!
BLAM BLAM
SKREAAAGHH!
REEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE

SKREEEEEEEEEEEEE!
NO!
HE'S GETTING AWAY!
THROUGH ONE OF HIS PORTALS!
BLAM
BLAM BLAM BLAM
HE'S... GONE.
D-DYLAN.
I...DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY.
HE... WASN'T--
DON'T SAY HE WASN'T MY DYLAN.
GOD.
YOU OF ALL PEOPLE KNOW HOW STUPID THAT SOUNDS.
EVERYTHING WE HAD...
...EVERYTHING WE THREW AT HIM...
...AND HE JUST...
YOU CAME HERE...LOOKING FOR HIM.
TRACKING HIM.
I WANT IN.
I WANT PAYBACK.
YOU KNOW WHERE HE'S GOING NEXT?
YEAH.
WE CAN FOLLOW HIM.
WE KNOW WHERE HE'S GOING.

"AND WE KNOW WHAT HE'S SEARCHING FOR."
SONICS!
HSSSSSS!
SONICS!
AFTER EVERYTHING I'VE DONE TO ELIMINATE MY VULNERABILITIES!
MY ENEMIES CAN STILL HURT ME--
--WITH SOUND!
SHRA-KRAK
BUT NOT FOR LONG.
EVEN ACROSS THE VASTNESS OF THE MULTIVERSE, I CAN SENSE MY QUARRY.
I FEEL THEM... LIKE THEY ARE PART OF ME.
CLOSE.
I CAN SMELL THEM.
I CAN...
...HEAR THEM.

ME AND YOU, CHAOS ENGINE!
ONE...OR BOTH...OF US ARE DYING TONIGHT!
I'LL MURDER YOU OR DIE TRYING!
GET IN LINE, SHRIEK!
I GOT HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE JUST DYING TO END ME!
MANY HAVE TRIED, AND ALL BETTER THAN YOU!
IF THEY COULDN'T DO IT, NO WAY YOU CAN--
MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE A TRY!
WHOA!
C-CARNAGE?
BUT HOW?
I...PUT YOU IN THE GROUND!
CARNY?
I KNEW IT!
I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T STAY DEAD!

AND I'M NOT GONNA LET YOU HURT HIM AGAIN, CHAOS ENGINE!
I KNOW YOU'RE EXCITED THAT YOUR BOYFRIEND'S BACK, SHRIEK.
YOU'RE GONNA NEED TO SIT THIS ONE OUT THOUGH.
UNTIL I CAN PUZZLE OUT JUST WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON.
NNNNFH!
WHUU--?
SHOOM
THOOM
LET ME GUESS.
DON'T LIKE FIRE, DO YOU?
I MUST ADMIT
IT'S NICE TO SEE SOMEONE ELSE ON THE RECEIVING END WHEN IT COMES TO FLAMES.

GET OFF THE KID!
SHA-WHAM
WHAT THE--?
WHAT IS THIS?
WHO ARE YOU?
WE'RE YOUR UNLUCKY DAY.
NOT BAD.
MIGHT'VE DONE SOME DAMAGE.. IF THERE WAS ANY MEAT INSIDE ME TO SLICE AND DICE.
LET'S SEE IF THE SAME CAN BE SAID FOR YOU.
HEADS UP!
THK THRAK

OUR PRIORITY IS THE KID!

THE ONE WITH THE GUITAR!

GET HIM OUT OF HERE!

YOU CAN'T STOP ME!

KEEP YOUR--

--NNNN--

--HEAD DOWN!

SKKKGGK

SLSSCK

I CAN'T KEEP DYING LIKE THIS!

SYMBIOTES AND HEALING FACTORS CAN ONLY STRETCH SO FAR!

THRRRNK

YOU!

YOU'RE THEIR TRANSPORT!

YOU GET THEM FROM WORLD TO WORLD!

ONCE YOU'RE GONE, THEY'RE STRANDED!

I'LL CRACK YOU OPEN LIKE A NUT!
HNNN--
NO!
GET OFF HIM!
LEAVE HIM ALONE!
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO KILL... ANOTHER ONE!
AMBLAMBLAMBLAMBLAM
EVERYONE!
CLEAR OUT!
GRAB THE ASSET, AND GET OUT OF HERE!
WHAT IS THIS?
WHAT ARE WE DOING?
WHERE ARE WE GOING?
BLAM BLAM BLAM
BLAM BLAM BLAM
VSSSSSSH

LOOK AT THEM RUN!
AND LOOK AT YOU!
OH BABY!
YOU'RE NOT JUST BACK!
YOU'RE BACK WITH A VENGEANCE!
I'M GOING TO FOLLOW THEM.
I CAN TRACK THIS...CHAOS ENGINE.
FIND HIM AND KILL HIM.
HE'S GONE, AND I SAY GOOD RIDDANCE!
I SAY WE LET HIM RUN AND NEVER WORRY ABOUT HIM AGAIN!
HE POSSESSES SONIC ABILITIES.
A RARITY AMONG SYMBIOTES.
HE BELONGS TO ME
WHO NEEDS HIM, BABY?
I'VE GOT ALL THE SONIC POWERS YOU COULD EVER WANT.
WE'VE ALWAYS MADE A GOOD TEAM.
REMEMBER?
YOU WERE CLOSE TO THE CARNAGE OF THIS WORLD
INTIMATE.
I DETECT TRACES OF THE CODEX EMBEDDED IN YOUR CELLS
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, BABY?
YOU KNOW--

SHGGNK
W-WHAT...?
...WHY...?
...Y-YOU...
...YOU'RE NOT...
...MY...
...CLETUS...
THAT'S RIGHT.
I'M NOT CLETUS AT ALL.
MY ONLY SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP...
...IS WITH HATE.

PRIMED FOR ANOTHER JUMP.
VIRUS?
YOU HAVEN'T TOLD ME WHERE WE'RE HEADING THOUGH.
MAYBE YOU WANT TO FILL ME IN?
CARNAGE IS GETTING STRONGER BY THE SECOND.
HE'S NOT JUST KILLING VENOMS.
HE'S ABSORBING THEM.
AT LEAST, HE'S ABSORBING THE ONES HE FINDS USEFUL.
THINK ABOUT IT.
THERE ARE AN INFINITE NUMBER OF WORLDS OUT THERE, SPINNING THROUGH THE MULTIVERSE.
AN INFINITE NUMBER OF VENOM SYMBIOTES.
YOU LOOK LONG ENOUGH, THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT YOU'LL FIND.
A VENOM WHO'S IMMUNE TO FIRE.
A VENOM WHO'S IMMUNE TO SONICS.
MAYBE A VENOM WITH POWERS WE CAN'T EVEN COMPREHEND.
AND CARNAGE IS MAKING THEIR POWERS HIS OWN.
AND THIS NEW RECRUIT WE'RE GOING AFTER?
IF WE WANT TO STOP HIM, WE'VE GOT TO TAKE HIM BY SURPRISE, HIT HIM WITH SOMETHING HE'S NOT EXPECTING.
WILL THIS WORK?
MAYBE.
BUT IT'S GONNA TAKE A MIRACLE.

"A HAIL MARY.
"WE'RE BRINGING IN SOME ANTI-VENOM TO LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD.
"SOMETHING TO SILENCE CARNAGE ONCE AND FOR ALL."

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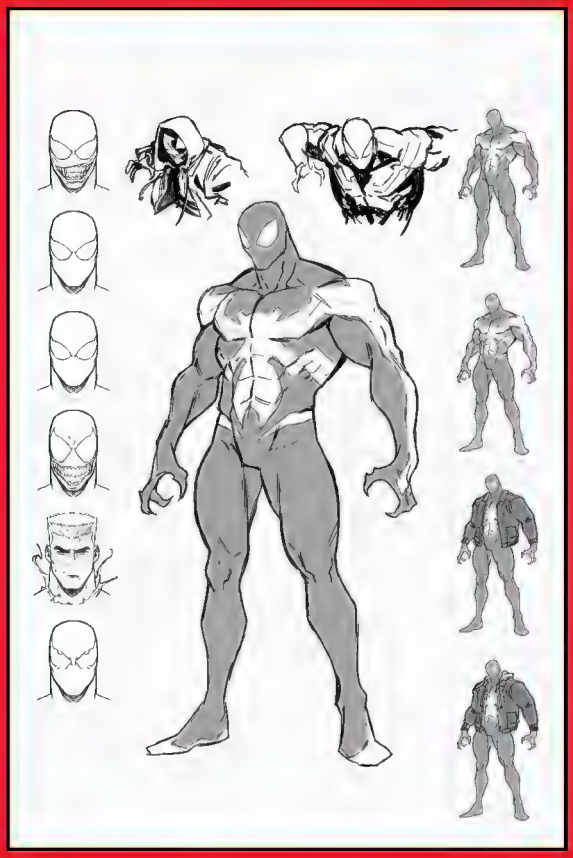

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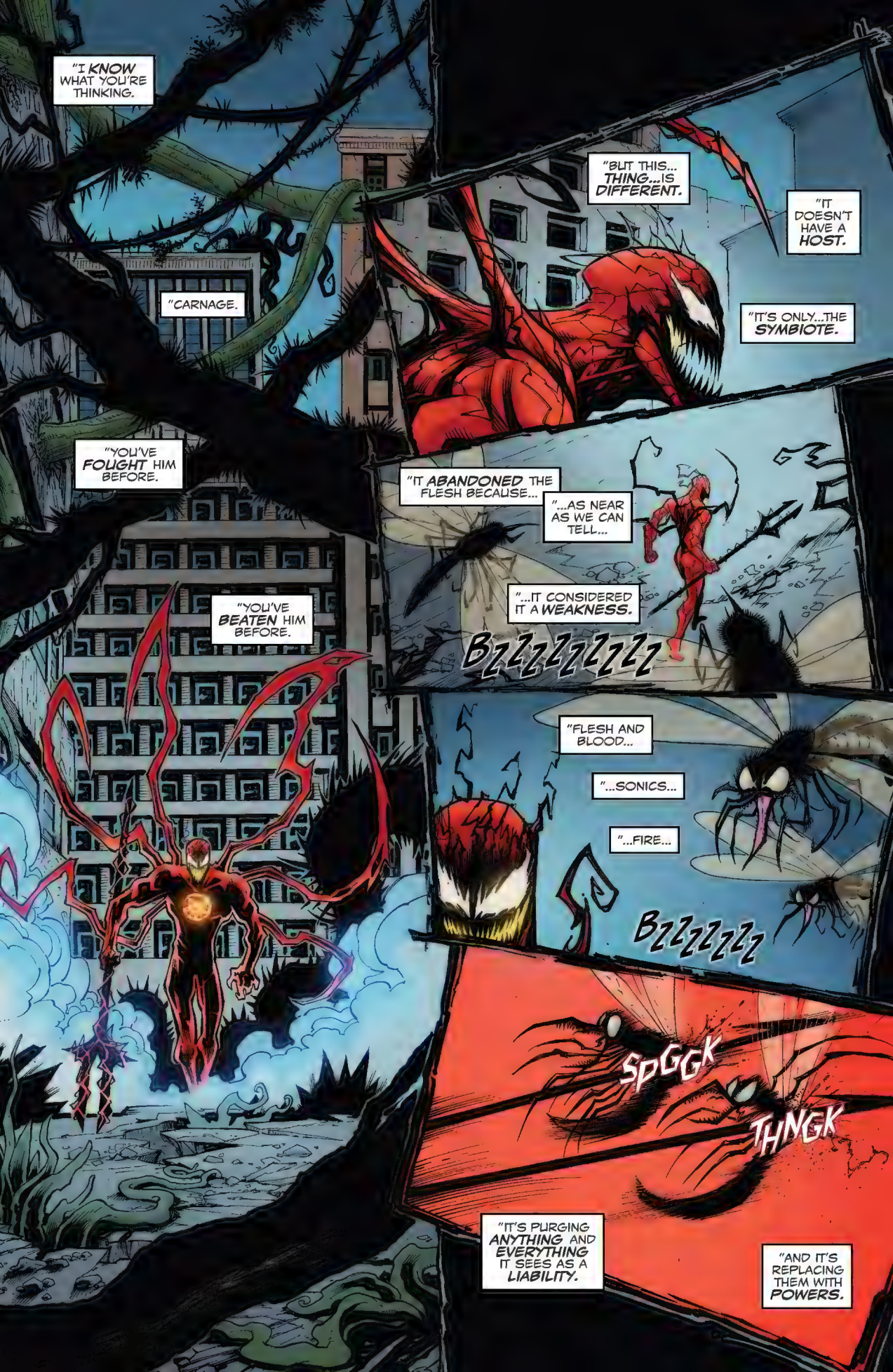
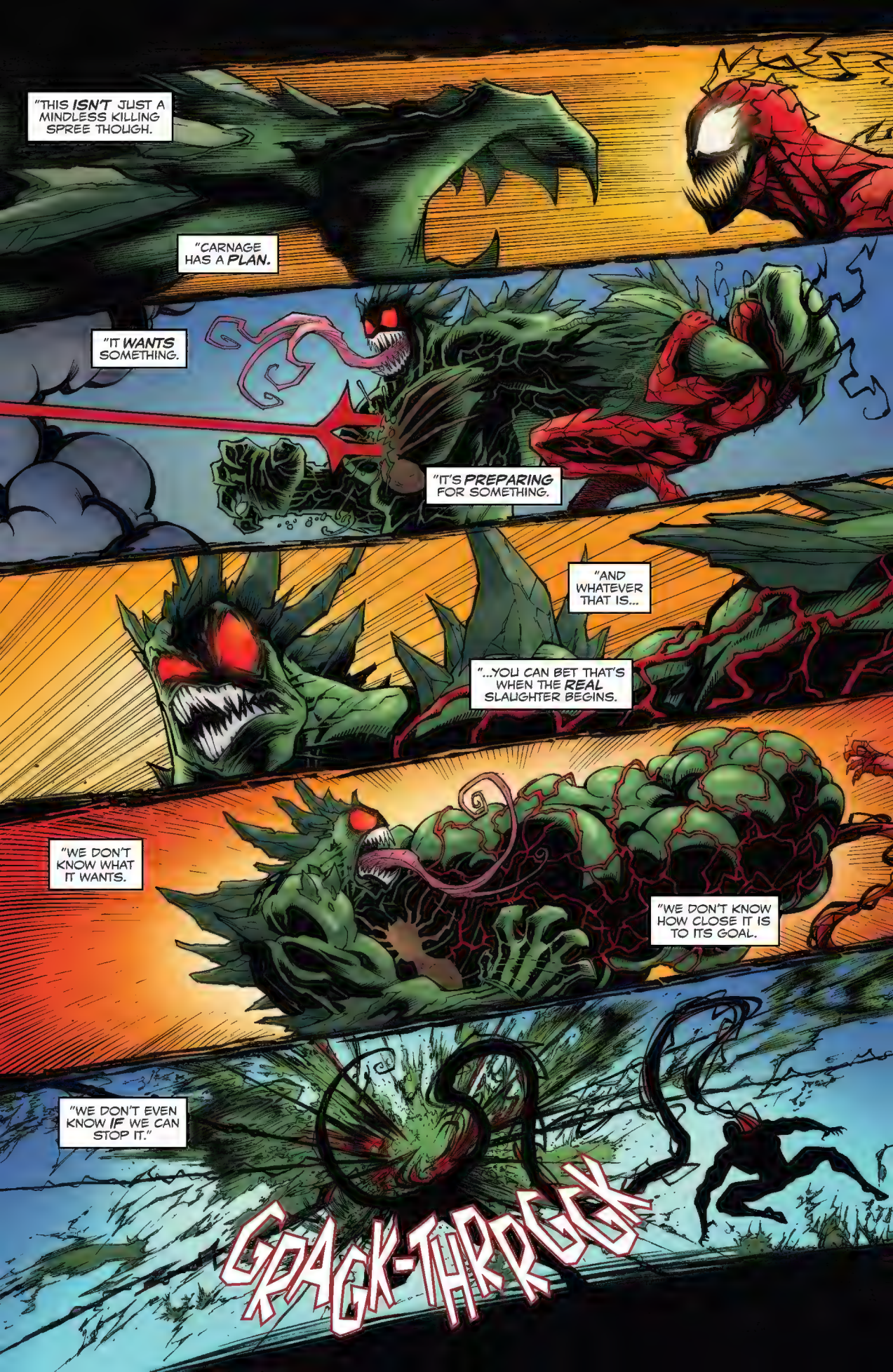

"I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING.
"CARNAGE.
"YOU'VE FOUGHT HIM BEFORE.
"YOU'VE BEATEN HIM BEFORE.
"BUT THIS... THING...IS DIFFERENT.
"IT DOESN'T HAVE A HOST.
"IT'S ONLY...THE SYMBIOTE.
"IT ABANDONED THE FLESH BECAUSE...
"...AS NEAR AS WE CAN TELL...
"...IT CONSIDERED IT A WEAKNESS.
BZZZZZZZZ
"FLESH AND BLOOD...
"...SONICS...
"...FIRE...
BZZZZZZZ
SPGGK
THNGK
"IT'S PURGING ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING IT SEES AS A LIABILITY.
"AND IT'S REPLACING THEM WITH POWERS.

"AND IT'S HUNTING.
RRROOOAAAARRGGH!
AH... WHAT SHALL WE CALL YOU?
VENOMAN-THING?
"SOMETIMES, IT'S HUNTING TO STEAL POWERS.
"SOMETIMES, IT'S HUNTING TO HONE ITS SKILLS.
"SOMETIMES, IT'S HUNTING FOR SPORT.


"THIS ISN'T JUST A MINDLESS KILLING SPREE THOUGH.
"CARNAGE HAS A PLAN.
"IT WANTS SOMETHING.
"IT'S PREPARING FOR SOMETHING.
"AND WHATEVER THAT IS...
"...YOU CAN BET THAT'S WHEN THE REAL SLAUGHTER BEGINS.
"WE DON'T KNOW WHAT IT WANTS.
"WE DON'T KNOW HOW CLOSE IT IS TO ITS GOAL.
"WE DON'T EVEN KNOW IF WE CAN STOP IT."
GRAGK-THRRGK

WE ONLY KNOW THAT WE HAVE TO TRY.
AND WE COULD USE YOUR HELP.
IF YOU'RE UP FOR IT.
HELL... EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT.
SO WHAT DO YOU SAY... SILENCE?
WOW.
JUST... WOW.
THAT'S SOME RECRUITMENT PITCH.
I MEAN-- SERIOUSLY--REALLY GREAT.
ASIDE FROM ALL THE DOOM, GLOOM AND HOPELESSNESS.
YOU MIGHT WANT TO WORK ON THAT.
AND I THOUGHT THE COACH GAVE THE WORST PEP TALKS.
YOU'RE SOMETHING ELSE THOUGH.
SOMEONE ELSE.
SHWP
SHRP
YOU'RE RIGHT.
SHWP
I'M NOT THE AGENT VENOM YOU KNOW.
MY NAME IS ANNE WEYING.
I'M ONE OF MANY VENOMS.
THERE ARE ALTERNATE REALITIES, AN INFINITE--

YEAH, YEAH.
I GET IT.
THE MULTIVERSE.
NOT MY AREA OF EXPERTISE, BUT I GET IT.
AND WHO ARE YOU?
DEATH-METAL IRON MAN?
VIRUS.
CLOSE ENOUGH.
CARNAGE IS HUNTING SYMBIOTES THROUGHOUT THE MULTIVERSE.
WE THINK WE MIGHT HAVE A SHOT AGAINST HIM WITH YOUR SPECIAL GIFTS.
THIS CARNAGE... HE'S YOURS... FROM THIS WORLD.
AND YOU WANT TO TAKE ME WHILE LEAVING THE REAL ANTI-VENOM--THE COACH--HERE IN CASE CARNAGE GETS PAST US.
I'M IN.
CARNAGE HAS BEEN MURDERING ANYONE WITH A CONNECTION TO A SYMBIOTE.
WHAT ABOUT ME?
HAS HE COME UP AGAINST ANY OF MY ALTERNATE VERSIONS?
I'M AFRAID SO. HE KILLED A VERSION OF ANDI BENTON WHO WAS STILL MANIA.
SO...THIS ISN'T JUST A CHANCE TO STOP THE PSYCHO.
IT'S A CHANCE TO AVENGE MY OWN DEATH.
WEIRD.
IT'S A TOUGH PILL TO SWALLOW.
BELIEVE ME, I KNOW.
BUT YOU WON'T NEED TO FACE CARNAGE ALONE.

"YOU'LL HAVE BACKUP."
WOULD YOU GET A LOAD OF THIS PLACE?
IT LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING OUT OF D&D.
LIKE MIDDLE EARTH.
IT'S ASGARD, CHAOS ENGINE.
WE'RE ON ASGARD?
I DON'T THINK SO.
THIS IS EARTH.
JUST NOT OUR EARTH.

THE WAR OF THE REALMS ALMOST CONSUMED THIS WORLD.
JUST AS IT CONSUMED MY WORLD.
HERE THOUGH, THE CIVILIZATION OF MIDGARD SOMEHOW SURVIVED.
ASGARD AND EARTH.
FUSED INTO ONE.
SOME MIGHT SAY, "SYMBIOTIC."
THAT'S METAL.
DOESN'T SEEM ALL THAT DIFFERENT TO ME.
LOOK AT THESE PEOPLE.
THEY'RE AFRAID OF US.
RHINO, DON'T--
HOLD FAST, INTERLOPERS!

THE NORNS HAVE WHISPERED TO ME.
"DANGER," THEY TELL ME.
"TURMOIL," THEY SAY.
"DESTRUCTION," THEY WARN.
AND IT IS YOU I FIND.
STRANGERS IN THIS REALM.
AND ASCARDIA DEMANDS AN EXPLANATION.
A... VALKYRIE!
COOL.

WHO ARE YOU?
I SENSE THAT YOU DO NOT MEAN THIS WORLD HARM.
YET THE THREAT OF DEVASTATION CIRCLES YOU LIKE HUNGRY RAVENS.
SHIELD MAIDEN--
NO, WARRIOR.
I AM NOT A VALKYRIE.
THAT HONOR WAS MY MOTHER'S.
BRUNNHILDE?
THAT WAS YOUR MOTHER'S NAME?
AND YOUR FATHER--
HOW CAN THIS BE?
FATHER?
DAD?
BUT YOU WERE TAKEN FROM US SO MANY YEARS GONE BY.
SUCH A TOUCHING MOMENT.

A FLESH FATHER... RETURNED TO HIS FLESH DAUGHTER.
BUT HE'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE HERE.
IN THIS WORLD, FLASH THOMPSON IS SUPPOSED TO BE DEAD.
IT FALLS ON ME TO SET THINGS RIGHT.
NOT THIS TIME.
I'LL STOP YOU.
I WON'T LET YOU HURT HER.
I DIDN'T COME HERE FOR HER.
WELL... NOT JUST FOR HER.
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU TO ARRIVE.
I'M HERE FOR YOU.
ALL OF YOU.

COME AND GET US!
FWOOOOSH
M-MY SONICS!
HE DIDN'T EVEN FLINCH!
LOOKS LIKE HE'S GIVEN HIMSELF ANOTHER UPGRADE!
HOUNDING MY EVERY STEP!
NIPPING AT MY HEELS!
TRYING TO DELAY MY ASCENSION!
THE TIME HAS COME TO RID MYSELF OF YOUR NUISANCE.
THE END--
--YOUR END--
--DRAWS NIGH!
MAYBE SO.
BUT JUST AN FYI...
...YOU'RE NOT THE ONLY KNUCKLEHEAD WHO CAN SET A TRAP!

VR-SHOOM
SHOOM
VR-SHOOM
TAKE HIM DOWN!
DON'T GIVE HIM A CHANCE TO GET HIS FOOTING!
HE WANTS AN ENDING?
BLAM BLAM BLAM
AMMO'S AUGMENTED WITH A SMALL DOSE OF ANTI-VENOM!
LET'S SHOVE IT DOWN HIS THROAT!
HEY, CARNAGE!
I HEAR YOU'VE GOT A FEW UPGRADES!
IT'S GONNA BE FUN, PUTTING THEM TO THE TEST!
A TEST?
YES!
THAT'S BEEN THE IDEA ALL ALONG!

I'VE OUTDISTANCED YOU THOUGH
I'VE EVOLVED.
YOU'RE JUST STANDING STILL.
I KNOW YOU, DON'T I? WE'RE FROM THE SAME WORLD.
I SUSPECT YOU REMEMBER THE TORMENT I INFLICTED UPON YOU.
TORMENT WE'LL REVISIT NOW.
TO ME, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE ON YOUR BACK FOOT.
JUST ONE TOUCH.
THAT'S ALL IT TAKES.
AAAAUGGH!
THAT'S ALL--
I'M ACTUALLY HAPPY.
THRAK
HAPPY YOU COULD BE HERE WITH ME, AND...
HAPPY YOU COULD SEE--

WHAT I'VE BECOME!

HERE, FIEND!

HERE, MONSTER!

HAVE AT THEE!

SHRA-THANG

A WORLD CHANGED BY THE GODS.

AND YET YOU ARE BLIND.

YOU CANNOT RECOGNIZE WHEN A NEW DEITY WALKS AMONG YOU.

mmm.

GET AWAY FROM HER!

HGGRRK!
WHATEVER YOU SAY, FLASH.
DAD!
COACH!
PEBBLES IN A POND.
RIPPLES ON THE WATER.
FADING SO QUICKLY UPON THE SURFACE OF INFINITY.
BRAKKA BRAKKA BRAKKA
SHRA-SHRAK
YOU ARE NO SYMBIOTE!
YOU'RE JUST A WEAPONS SYSTEM!
A TOOL.
A SUIT OF ARMOR...

DYLAN!
WORN BY A CHILD.
D-DYLAN?
AW, ANNE.
YOU DIDN'T.
YOU WOULDN'T BRING A KID... OUR KID... INTO THIS.
M-MOM?
WHAT DO I DO HERE?
I D-DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO!
NO!
OFF THE LAMB!
TO THE GODS!
SACRIFICE!

OR A DISTRACTION!
NEVER IMAGINED IT WOULD COME TO THIS!
CARNAGE AGAINST ANTI-CARNAGE!
BUT IT'S TIME TO MAKE AMENDS FOR ALL THE TERRIBLE THINGS I'VE DONE!
SHHNGK
TH-THIS IS IT!
WE'VE GOT HIM!
HE'S FINISHED!
NNNNNN-NO!
SORRY, BROTHER MAN!
I'M WIPING THE SLATE CLEAN!
PURGING THE DISEASE!
DON'T BE--

IS THAT FEAR I SENSE?
TOO BAD
WHOEVER KNOWS FEAR... BURNS AT THE TOUCH OF CARNAGE!
YEAAARRGH!
OH NO.
IT CAN'T BE.
IT'S NOT WORKING.
OH LORD!
IT BURNS!
IT HURTS!
HE'S ABSORBING HIM.
DON'T BE AFRAID!
IS THAT WHAT YOU WERE GOING TO SAY?
IF YOU'RE AFRAID--YOU'LL BURN!
I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN...
...TAKING YOU INTO MYSELF...
...BUT IT'S WORTH THE RISK...
...WORTH DYING...
...IF IT MEANS--

REEAARREEEAAGH!
ANTI-CARNAGE... IT'S...TEARING HIM APART!
FROM THE *INSIDE!*
DID WE JUST *WIN?*
DID WE JUST...KILL CARNAGE?

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YEAAARRGGHH!
HE KILLED ANTI-CARNAGE.
ABSORBED HIM.
IT'S TEARING HIM APART.
LIKE TISSUE REJECTION.
REEAAAAARRGGH!
CARNAGE'S VICTIMS...
...THE PEOPLE HE CONSUMED...
...ARE RIPPING THEMSELVES FREE!
M-MY FLESH...
...POISONED...
...DISEASED...

...TURNING AGAINST ME!

TH-THEY'RE BACK?

ALL THE PEOPLE HE KILLED.

LIKE MY PAL ELECTRO.

NO.

LOOK AT THEM.

THEY'RE SOMETHING DIFFERENT.

"THEY'RE PART CARNAGE...

SLLLSSH

"...PART ANTI-CARNAGE!"

IS THIS WHAT YOU EXPECTED TO--?

NO.

NOT THIS.

NOTHING LIKE THIS.

ANOTHER CHALLENGE.

ANOTHER TEST.

TO PROVE I'M READY.

LOOK AT WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO US.

YOU'VE TURNED US...INTO MONSTERS.

BUT IT'S NOTHING...

...COMPARED TO WHAT WE'RE GONNA DO TO YOU!
THAT'S ME.
ONLY...ALL CARNAGIZED.
ANTI-CARNAGIZED TOO.
THANKS, I HATE IT.
SHRAZZA-THOOM
HE'S... VULNERABLE AGAIN...
MOM... I THINK I CAN GET THE DIMENSIONAL TRANSPORT CONTROLS WORKING AGAIN.
...TO ELECTRICITY.
FIRE.
SONICS.
MOM...?

"TO ALL OF IT."
SKREEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
DYLAN--GET THE TRANSPORTER FIXED.
AND GET YOURSELF OUT OF HERE.
I CAN GET US ALL OUT.
GET YOURSELF OUT. DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
DREAMSTONE--I CALL UPON YOUR POWER.
GIVE ME THE STRENGTH TO DESTROY THIS ENEMY.
AND GRANT ME AN HONORABLE DEATH.
BUT FOR OUR FOE--
--A PAINFUL DEATH WILL DO!
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE WE'LL NEED AN EVAC THIS TIME!
WE'VE GOT HIM RIGHT WHERE WE WANT HIM.
COULD YOU FEEL US?
TRAPPED IN YOUR FLESH?
SCREAMING?
SHRA-SLAM!
FELL CREATURE!
I'LL SEND YOU INTO THE ABYSS!
SO SWEARS--ASGARDIA!

COWARD!
HE FLEES!
HIS FLESH IS AS WATERY AS HIS BOWELS!
H-HEY.
HEY.
I'M ANDI TOO.
I WOULDN'T BOTHER GETTING CHUMMY.
"WHEN HE DIES, SO DO I.
"WORTH IT."
FWOOSH
SPLA-SPLAT
BUG ON A WINDSHIELD!
DON'T GIVE HIM A CHANCE TO GET HIS FOOTING!
HE'S WEAKENED!
BUT HE'S STILL DANGEROUS!

MORE DANGEROUS THAN YOU KNOW!
RAAAGGGGH!
BLAM BLAM BLAM
YOU ARE WITHOUT HONOR!
YOU BETRAY YOURSELF!
SLLLSH
I SHOULDN'T HAVE TRIED TO HEAL YOU.
THAT WAS A MISTAKE.
YEAAARRGH!
I SHOULD HAVE PUT YOU DOWN FROM THE START!
GET AWAY FROM ME!
DEATH COMES FOR US ALL, CARNAGE!
YOU'VE AVOIDED IT FOR LONG ENOUGH!
IT PLEASES ME TO BRING YOU YOUR FINAL MOMENTS!

SLGSSK
I... I F-FAILED.
VALKYRIE.
I PRAY I AM W-WORTHY OF VALHALLA.
I... I'm NOT A VALKYRIE.
I'm SORRY.
I WISH I WERE.
MY FLESH...
...MY POWERS...
...HAVE NOT BETRAYED ME!
SUBCONSCIOUSLY...
...I ONLY WANTED...
...TO TEST MYSELF!
SHH-LOP

GRK
SLLTH
SLLTHR
NO ONE... NOTHING... CAN STOP ME!
NNN--
NOT YOU.
NOT MY EVERY WEAKNESS... MY EVERY POWER... THROWN BACK AT ME!
H-HEY!
DO NOT FEAR, EDDIE BROCK-- SPIDER-MAN.
SLVHHP
ALMOST!
WAIT--
WHAT?
WHAT IS THIS?
I AM THE DREAMSTONE.
AND I AM NOT FINISHED WITH THIS FIGHT.

YOU HAD YOUR SHOT, CARNAGE.
YOU GOT CLOSE.
BUT YOU BLEW IT.
AND WE THINK YOU KNOW THAT.
WE... ARE VENOM!
HM? INTERESTING. BUT... NO.
YOU ARE NOT THE EDDIE BROCK I WANT.

GONNA RIP YOU TO CHUNKS!
CHEW YOU UP!
SWALLOW THE PIECES DOWN!
I DON'T THINK SO.
NOT ON YOUR BEST DAY.
NOT ON MY WORST.
YOU'RE JUST A PALE IMITATION.
YOU DON'T GET IT, DO YOU?
YOU AIN'T GETTING OUR BEST!
THIS IS OUR WORST!
WE BOTH ARE
FOR THE MOMENT
BUT I'LL FIX THAT

YYYEEEEAARRRRRRGGGHH
I'M RECLAIMING WHAT IS MINE.
WHAT I'VE RIGHTFULLY WON.
MY WEAPONS.
MY ARMOR.
MY TROPHIES.

SHRAKKA-DOOM
SHH-FWOOSH
DAMN!
THAT'S IT!
OUR WINDOW'S CLOSING!
THERE'S STILL A CHANCE!
I CAN END THIS!
I CAN CURE HIM--BURN HIS CELLS DOWN TO NOTHING!
MMRRGPH!
YEEARGH!

DO YOU UNDERSTAND YET?
DO YOU REALIZE?
CAN YOU SEE...WHAT I'VE BECOME?
THE ANTIBODIES.
HE USED THEM.
HOW DO WE STOP THAT THING?
HE JUST...
I...DIDN'T EVEN PHASE HIM!
WE'RE BACK TO SQUARE ONE!

HIT HIM HARD!
STOMP HIM INTO MUD!
YOU'RE NOT GONNA GET AWAY WITH WHAT YOU'VE DONE!
WHAT I'VE DONE?
WHAT I'VE DONE?
THRA-THRAK
IF YOU HAD HALF A BRAIN...
I'VE GOT YOU!
TH-THANKS!
SO MUCH FOR NOT NEEDING AN EVAC!
REEEEEEEEEEEE!
...YOU'D BE MUCH MORE WORRIED...
...MUCH MORE AFRAID...
...OF WHAT I'M GOING TO DO!

TOO BAD.
NNNN--
YOU WOULD HAVE MADE FINE WITNESSES.
FINE EVANGELISTS.
I'VE GOT IT!
I'M SORRY, MOM!
I KNOW WHAT YOU SAID...
"...BUT WE'RE ALL GETTING OUT OF HERE!"
VSSSSSSSSSSHH
VSSSSSSS
VV-VSSH-VSSH-VSSSSSSSSSH
TOO BAD.
THERE'S ONLY ONE STEP LEFT.

"ONE STEP... BEFORE MY ULTIMATE ASCENSION."
OH.
I SEE.
YOU ARE NOT HERE FOR ME, THE SILVER SURFER.
GO, THEN... AND--
AGGGH!
SHHNNGK
SORRY LITTLE LIGHT.
NO WARRIORS FOR YOU.
BUT DON'T FRET.
I'LL DO... WHAT YOU WERE MEANT TO DO.

STAND WITH ME!
WE CAN TURN THE TIDE!
WE ARE WITH YOU, THUNDER GOD.
WE CAN TURN THIS FOE BACK!
TOGETHER-- WE CAN CAST KNULL FROM OUR WORLD!
A NOBLE SENTIMENT...
...BUT I AM GOING TO KILL YOUR WORLD.
THE DRAGONS!
THERE ARE TOO MANY OF THEM!
WE CAN'T HOLD THEM OFF FOREVER!
I'M GIVING YOUR HAMMER A BOOST!
YOU'LL HAVE ONE CHANCE!
ONE CHANCE TO STOP HIM!
IN THE MEANTIME, I AM LOOKING FOR A HUMAN NAMED BROCK.
SO BRING HIM TO ME, AND THIS CAN BE--
SORRY, O KING.

I'M AFRAID EDDIE CAN'T SEE YOU RIGHT NOW.
AND YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO SEE HIM ANYWAY, NOT IN HIS MISERABLE STATE.
ME, THOUGH--
--I THINK YOU'RE GONNA GET A REAL KICK OUTTA ME!

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VENOM SAFE HOUSE.
EARTH-1051.
WE CAN'T WIN THIS THING, CAN WE?
CARNAGE IS JUST TOO POWERFUL.
HE'S RUNNING WILD ALL OVER US.
AND WHEN HE GETS BACK TO MY WORLD...
WE'LL STOP HIM, SILENCE.
WE WILL STOP HIM.
WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE.
EASY FOR YOU TO SAY, BOSS LADY.
EVERY TIME WE THROW DOWN WITH THIS GUY, SOME OF US DON'T MAKE IT BACK.
ANNE NEVER SAID WE'D SURVIVE THE FIGHT, CHAOS ENGINE.
SO...THIS IS WHAT IT FEELS LIKE... TO BE A VENOM?
WELCOME TO THE CLUB.

I'VE GOT IT.
IT'S FIXED.
SORT OF.
READY TO ROLL.
ANNE. COME ON.
YOU'RE NOT THE EDDIE I KNEW.
YOU DON'T GET A SAY.
YOU'RE NOT SENDING THE KID BACK INTO THE FIGHT, ARE YOU?
TRY AND STOP ME.
TRY AND STOP ANY OF US.
I'VE GOT ONE PLAY LEFT.
A HAIL MARY.
BUT I NEED YOU ALL TO DO EXACTLY AS I SAY.
WHEN I SAY JUMP--
WE JUMP, MOM.

IS THAT... CARNAGE?
TAKING THE FIGHT TO KNULL?
LOOKS LIKE IT.
WHAT'S THE CALL HERE?
THE ENEMY OF MY ENEMY--
--IS A FOE WE CAN DESTROY LATER!

YOU ARE NOT FROM THIS REALM.
A CASTOFF FROM ANOTHER REALITY.
COME HERE TO FACE OBLIVION.
YES! OBLIVION IF THAT'S WHAT I DESERVE!
IF I CANNOT DESTROY YOU, KNULL, THEN WHAT CHANCE DO I HAVE AGAINST THE KING IN BLACK?
VRAASHOW
WELL I KNOW YOU.
I KNOW WHAT YOU WANT.
TO LOOK AT YOU IS TANTAMOUNT TO STARING INTO A MIRROR.
AND IT SICKENS ME.
NOT ON MY WORLD!
NOT ON THE WORLD THAT MATTERS!
SLLLSSSH
MADNESS! DO YOU NOT KNOW ME?
HGGGHk
I AM THE KING IN BLACK!

THRAK
STRIKE, MY FRIENDS!
WHILE WE CAN!
THIS IS THE MOMENT IN WHICH WE TURN THE TIDE!
I HAVE HIM!
BUT HE'S STRONG!
I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HOLD HIM FOR LONG!
CYCLOPS-- I'M ADDING THE ENERGIES OF THE DARK DIMENSION TO YOUR OPTIC BLASTS!
AND I'LL TELEKINETICALLY HELP YOU AIM A KILL SHOT!
EVERYTHING HE'S TAKEN FROM US...
...EVERYTHING HE'S DESTROYED...
...HE PAYS FOR IT NOW!
PITIFUL...
ON YOUR FEET, SOLDIER!
THANKS TO YOU, WE'VE GOT KNULL ON THE DEFENSIVE!
WE NEED YOU.
WE CAN TAKE HIM DOWN!
AVENGERS--

NO. NOT "WE." ME. ME ALONE.
SHHGGNK
DISTRACTIONS. NUISANCES.
SLLLSH
INFANTS... MEWLING AGAINST THEIR OWN DESTRUCTION.
SHNK
THNK
SGNK
I HAVE COME TO DESTROY THIS WORLD.
TO MURDER IT.
AND NO ONE WILL STAND IN MY WAY.
SLAAASH

NO ONE!
IF IT MAKES YOU FEEL BETTER...
...I'LL FINISH WHAT YOU STARTED.
I'LL END THIS WORLD FOR YOU.
AFTER YOU'RE DEAD!

THIS WORLD!
AND EVERY OTHER!
UNTIL I CLAIM WHAT'S MINE!
A GOD.
THAT IS WHAT I'VE BECOME.
THAT IS WHAT I ALWAYS WAS.
THOOM

VSSSSSH
IT'S KNULL.
CARNAGE IS AFTER HIM NEXT.
IF HE ABSORBS HIS STRENGTH--
THIS KNULL... HE'S A SERIOUS PLAYER?
THE WORST.
MAYBE HE AND CARNAGE WILL JUST KILL EACH OTHER.
CAN'T TAKE THAT CHANCE.
WHETHER WE LIKE IT OR NOT...
...WE HAVE TO PROTECT THE KING IN BLACK.
SOUNDS LIKE A PLAN, MOM.
JUST ONE QUESTION.
WHO'S GOING TO PROTECT US?

I'LL HOLD AS MANY OF THESE VERMITHRAX WANNABES BACK!
SOMEBODY TELEPORT KNULL OUTTA HERE!
YOU HEARD HIM!
VIRUS-- SEND KNULL SOMEWHERE CARNAGE CAN'T FIND HIM!
SEND HIM STRAIGHT TO HELL FOR ALL I CARE!
IT'S UNFORTUNATE YOU MUST DIE.
YOU WOULD HAVE MADE A GOOD SERVITOR.
I COULD SAY THE SAME THING ABOUT YOU.
BUT YOU ARE FLESH.
AND FLESH IS WEAK.

THE DRAGONS-- THEY'RE BREAKING THROUGH!
BRAKKA-BRAKKA-BRAKKA
SKREEEAAAARK!
THERE ARE TOO MANY OF THEM!
IF ANYBODY'S GOT ANY SURPRISES LEFT, NOW'S THE TIME TO SHOW OFF!
THEY'RE GONNA OVERRUN US!
WHOA.
I AM ASGARDIA... A DAUGHTER OF MIDGARD.
A DAUGHTER OF KLYNTAR.
A DAUGHTER OF ASGARD.

I AM A VALKYRIE!
SLLLSH
SGGKLLLSH

UNNNFH!
'PORT HIM OUT OF HERE, KID!
HURRY UP!
I CAN'T HOLD HIM!
NNN—
I'M TRYING!
THE CONTROLS...AREN'T RESPONDING!
NOTHING WORKS RIGHT SINCE CARNAGE TORE THROUGH MY ARMOR!
I TIRE OF THIS GAME!
NOW YOU WILL KNOW MY FULL POWER!
YOU WILL KNOW—
SHH-CHNNNK
YOU MUST KNOW...
...MUST UNDERSTAND...
...THAT NO MATTER WHAT YOU ACCOMPLISH HERE...
...YOU'RE ALREADY DEAD.

YEEAARGH!
OH, I'LL KNOW YOUR POWER.
I'LL KNOW ALL OF IT!
AND I'LL PUT IT TO MUCH BETTER USE THAN YOU EVER WOULD.
NO...
WHPPP
WE... WE'VE LOST.
WHSSH

THAT'S IT!
THERE'S NOTHING LEFT!
NO FOE TO CONQUER!
SAVE THE ONE I WANT DEAD MORE THAN ANY OTHER!
YOU WANT AN EDDIE BROCK? HERE I AM!
YOU'RE JUST A PALE IMITATION.
FWOOOSSH
SEND US HOME, DYLAN.
MOM--
SEND US HOME...SO WE CAN SPEND WHATEVER TIME WE HAVE LEFT WITH THOSE WHO LOVE US.
UHH--
IT'S ALL RIGHT.
DO NOT MOURN ME.
I WAS ONLY EVER A DREAM.
WE CAN DO THIS, MOM!
JUST LIKE YOU SAID.
WE JUST NEED...

"...A LITTLE MORE MUSCLE!"
VSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSH
IT'S ALL TOO LATE!
FAR, FAR TOO LATE!
TOO LATE TO DO ANYTHING BUT DIE!
SHHGGGNK
SHRRRK
KR-PNCH
PNCH
PNCH

NOTHING CAN STOP ME!
DON'T YOU SEE?
I AM A GOD!
WE CAN DO THIS!
WE MUST!
LIKE YOU SAID!
SEND THEM BACK!
RIGHT NOW!
WE HAVE TO SEND EVERYONE BACK!
SKREEEEEEEEEEEEEE
IT'S LIKE YOU PLANNED.
I WAS WRONG, DYLAN!
I WAS SO WRONG!
PLEASE!
SEND THEM BACK TO--

YOU'RE GOING NOWHERE.
DYLAN!
YEEEAAARRRGH!
IT'S INTERESTING.
NOW THAT WE'VE MET... I DO SO LOVE KILLING YOUR CHILDREN.
H-HOLD HIM!
I CANNOT BE HELD, EDDIE! I CANNOT BE BOUND!
DO YOU SENSE YOUR DOOM?
I'VE KILLED ONE KING IN BLACK!
IT WILL BE NOTHING TO KILL ANOTHER!
I WAS WRONG.
SSSSH
HA! COWARDS!
SHE SENT THEM AWAY.
DEAD... ALIVE...
SENT THEM HOME.
...SHE RETURNED THEM ALL TO THEIR GRAVES.

I SHOULD... HAVE FOUND ANOTHER WAY.
WHEN... WHEN THE OTHER DYLAN...WAS KILLED.
I SHOULDN'T HAVE KEPT PUSHING.
I TH-THOUGHT WE COULD STOP HIM.
I THOUGHT IF THERE WERE ENOUGH OF US.
"BUT THEY WERE JUST...LAMBS TO SLAUGHTER.
"SACRIFICES.
"AND I OFFERED THEM UP LIKE A LOYAL SUBJECT."
MAYBE... IN THAT WAY...HE IS A GOD.
MAYBE.
MAYBE I WAS JUST A DAMN FOOL.
"AND I THREW BODIES AT HIM.
"BODIES.
"TO FEED HIM."
TO FEED MY OWN DAMN EGO.
SO DAMN MANY.
AND WE LOST SO MANY.
FOR...
"...NOTHING."
END.

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A WARM SPRING EVENING AT EMPIRE STATE UNIVERSITY, SOME YEARS AGO.
CLASSES ARE LONG OVER, STUDENTS AND STAFF GONE FOR THE DAY.
BUT ONE UNEXPECTED VISITOR SEEKS SOMETHING MORE SINISTER THAN EDUCATION.
FOR THIS DARK INTRUDER REQUIRES--
--VENGEANCE!
COME OUT, COME OUT, SILLY SPIDER!
WE ONLY WANT TO KILL YOU A LITTLE!
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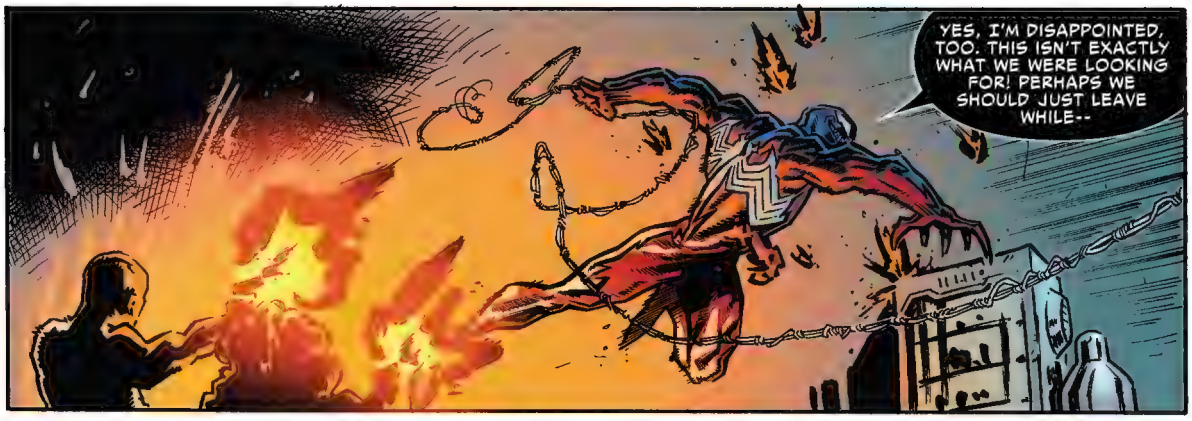
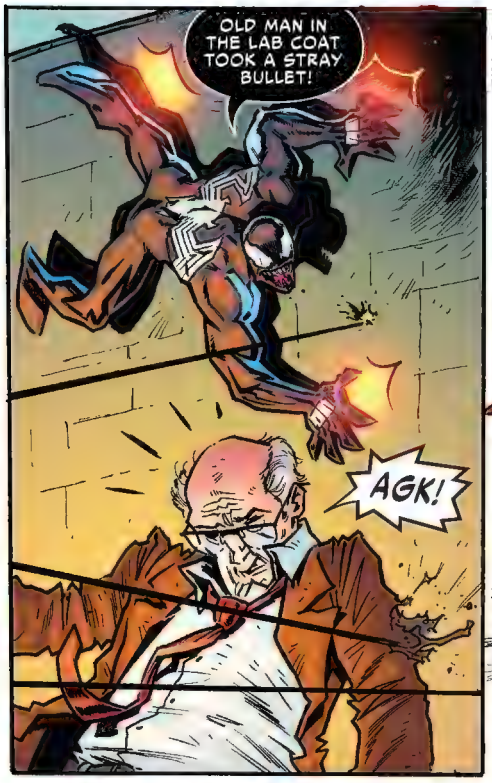
YES, YES, I KNOW. THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THE MONSTER, THE BETRAYER--
--SPIDER-MAN--
--WILL EVEN SHOW UP.
BUT PETER PARKER SPENDS A LOT OF TIME ON THIS CAMPUS. BESIDES, WAITING MAKES SUCCESS-- AS WELL AS THE PRIZE ITSELF--
--TASTE THAT MUCH SWEETER!
KRAKRAKRAK
GUNFIRE?!
HAS SOMEONE FOUND THE SPIDER FIRST?
NOT FAIR!
NOT FAIR AT ALL!
BUT IN A NEARBY LAB COMPLEX...
DAMMIT, CHUCKIE! I SAID NO GUNS!
NOISE COULD WAKE THE FRIGGIN' RENT-A-COPS! AND ANYWAY--

--YOU'RE SCARIN' PROFESSOR HEALEY HERE.
JUST CHILL, POPS. WE'RE REASONABLE GENTS. ALL WE WANT IS TO KNOW HOW TO OPERATE YOUR NIFTY MACHINE.
OF COURSE, YOU COULD STILL WRITE DIRECTIONS DOWN WITHOUT A TONGUE... RIGHT?
SNICK
OOO, WE JUST LOVE GUESSING GAMES!
PLIPSH
CAN WE PLAY?
VENOM?!
SPLATCH
SCREW THE NOISE-- KILL 'IM!
CH-T-T-TOW


YES, I'M DISAPPOINTED, TOO. THIS ISN'T EXACTLY WHAT WE WERE LOOKING FOR! PERHAPS WE SHOULD JUST LEAVE WHILE--


OLD MAN IN THE LAB COAT TOOK A STRAY BULLET!
AGK!

REAL BRAVE, BULLY-BOY! *SENIOR CITIZEN* DIDN'T EVEN HAVE A WEAPON!
SO HOW DO *YOU* LIKE BEING--

--UNARMED!
EEYAAAGH!

NO SPIDER MEAT FOR US TONIGHT!
BUT MAYBE WE CAN STILL LAP UP A BIT OF GRAVY--

--ONCE WE'VE *TENDERIZED* THESE GLORIFIED DELINQUENTS!

THE MASTER AIN'T GONNA BE HAPPY!
EXIT
YEAH, BUT THAT'S A MAYBE!
VENOM'S A DEFINITE!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, SIR?
I...I THINK SO. YOU'RE SCARY, BUT YOU PROBABLY SAVED MY LIFE!
THANK YOU.
HEH! THAT'S SOMETHING WE DON'T HEAR A LOT! YOU'RE WELCOME. BUT...
...JUST WHAT THE HECK WAS THIS ALL ABOUT?
THOSE RUFFIANS-- THEY CALLED THEMSELVES THE SONS OF CHAOS--
--THEY WANTED TO STEAL MY INVENTION, MY... MY ONLY HOPE. YOU SEE, I HAVE TO GO BACK.
WHAT, BACK HOME? BACK TO WORK...?
OH NO. NOTHING SO SIMPLE. YOU SEE, I HAVE TO GO BACK...
...IN TIME!

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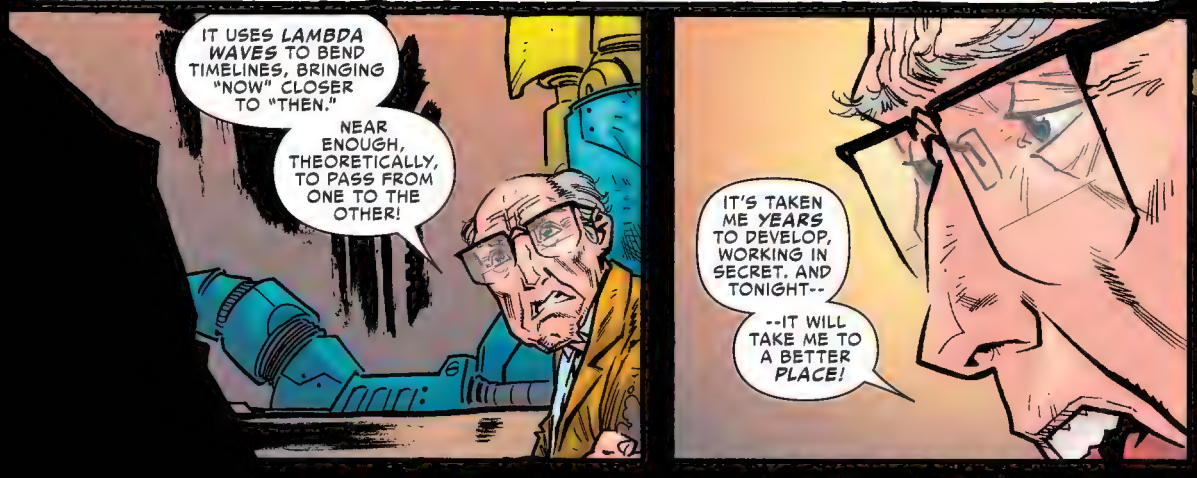

THAT'S AMAZING! THINK WHAT IT COULD MEAN TO THE WORLD!
THIS WORLD? THAT'S JUST WHAT I WANT TO LEAVE!
I'M DYING, YOU SEE. BUT WHILE CANCER ROTS MY BODY--
--THIS WORLD IS EATING AWAY MY SOUL!
RIOTS TURN CITIES AND LIVES TO CINDERS!
POLITICAL CORRUPTION, RACIAL PREJUDICE, SELF-SERVING CORPORATIONS! WHERE WILL IT END? HOW CAN IT END?
NO, I'M GOING TO LIVE WHAT DAYS I HAVE LEFT IN A KINDER, GENTLER TIME.
YOU'RE GONNA LIVE IT IN A TEN-BY-TWELVE CELL, PAL!
UNLESS YOU GOT A CRACKERJACK EXPLANATION FOR ALL THESE DEAD BODIES!
SECURITY
GEEZ, SUPERCOP, WHY EXPLAIN 'EM--
--WHEN YOU CAN JOIN 'EM!
PLATCH!

KASADY!
I FIGURED IT WAS YOU, "DAD," WHEN MY MINIONS REPORTED SOME BIG GOOEY BUTTINSKY WRECKIN' THEIR GIG!
BAGLEY
YOU'RE THE "MASTER" THEY WERE AFRAID OF?
SURE, THEY LOVE ME! EVEN NAMED THEIR LITTLE CLUB "SONS OF CHAOS"
KIDS ARE SO CUTE, DON'TCHA THINK?
THOSE WEREN'T CHILDREN! THEY WERE ABHORRENT SAVAGES!
LIKE YOU!
THRUMP
AH, C'MON. "ABHORRENT"? I'M JUST A CHIP OFF THE OL' SYMBIOTE-- YOURS!
BESIDES, I KNOW A FEW BIG WORDS MYSELF. F'INSTANCE--
--PATRICIDE!
CH-CHUK
CHUNK

NEVER HAS A FATHER BEEN SO ASHAMED...!
EASY, BIG FELLA! I WANT WHAT'S IN THIS GUY'S HEAD, BUT I WANT HIS MACHINE MORE!
SO BACK OFF--OR I BLEED 'IM SLOW!
BUT WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO THE PAST?
I DON'T! I WANT TO SEND OTHERS THERE!
IF I CAN GET THOSE WHATCHAMACALLIT WAVES BOUNCIN' OFF THE IONOSPHERE HIT THE EARTH ALL OVER--
--I CAN ZAP RANDOM RUBES AROUND THE PLANET INTO THE PAST, JUST LIKE THAT!
FOLKS'LL BE SO FREAKED WHEN THEIR NEIGHBORS START POPPIN' OUT LIKE SOAP BUBBLES, THE WORLD WILL BE MY IDEA OF HEAVEN!
PURE, SPECTACULAR CHAOS!
MAKES ME TINGLE JUST TO THINK ABOU--HEY! WHAT'S WITH YOUR "OTHER" DRIPPIN' OFF?
SIMPLE!
IT TAKES A LOT OF IT TO SHUT YOUR FLAPPING MOUTH!

THAT OLD TRICK?
SHRIRIRIKSH
NICE TRY, BUT I SEE I'LL NEED A LOT MORE SACRIFICIAL LAMBS TO KEEP YOU OUTTA MY HAIR!
KREEESH
MEET YA AT HEMPSTEAD HALL, LOSER!
HEMPSTEAD HALL? WHAT'S THAT?
OH DEAR! IT'S THE AUDITORIUM AT THE MUSIC CENTER! THERE'S A CONCERT THERE TONIGHT. THE PLACE WILL BE PACKED WITH STUDENTS, PARENTS...
"LAMBS!"

HEMPSTEAD HALL, ON THE CAMPUS OF EMPIRE STATE UNIVERSITY...
REALLY, ROGER, IF YOU'RE GOING TO SLEEP, AT LEAST TRY NOT TO SNORE!
CAN'T HELP IT, MARGE. I'M A WILLIE NELSON KINDA GUY. THIS HIGHBROW STUFF BORES ME TO--
TEARS? NO...
DEATH!
SHOW'S OVER, FANCY-PANTS!
GET THE POINTS?
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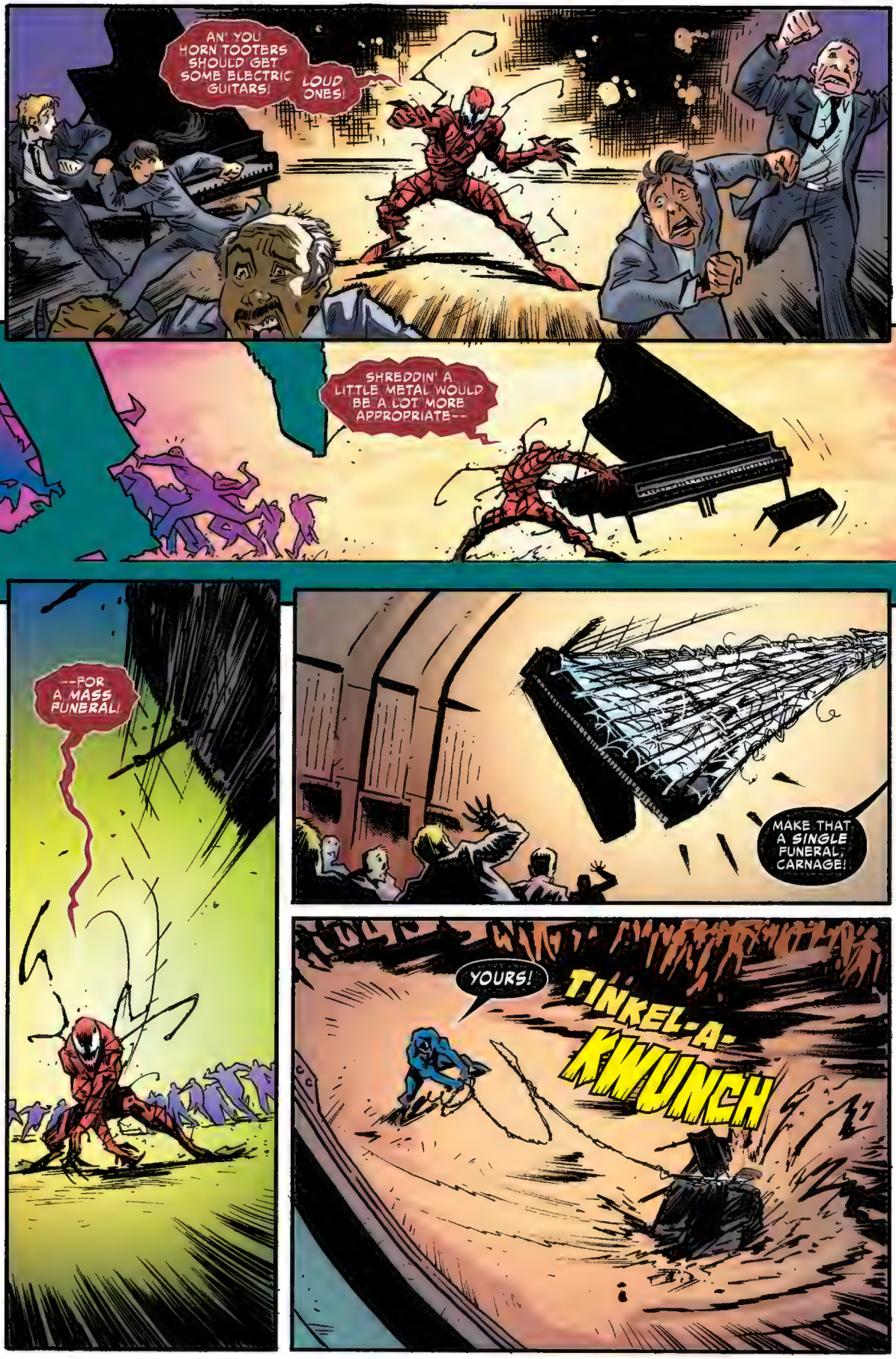
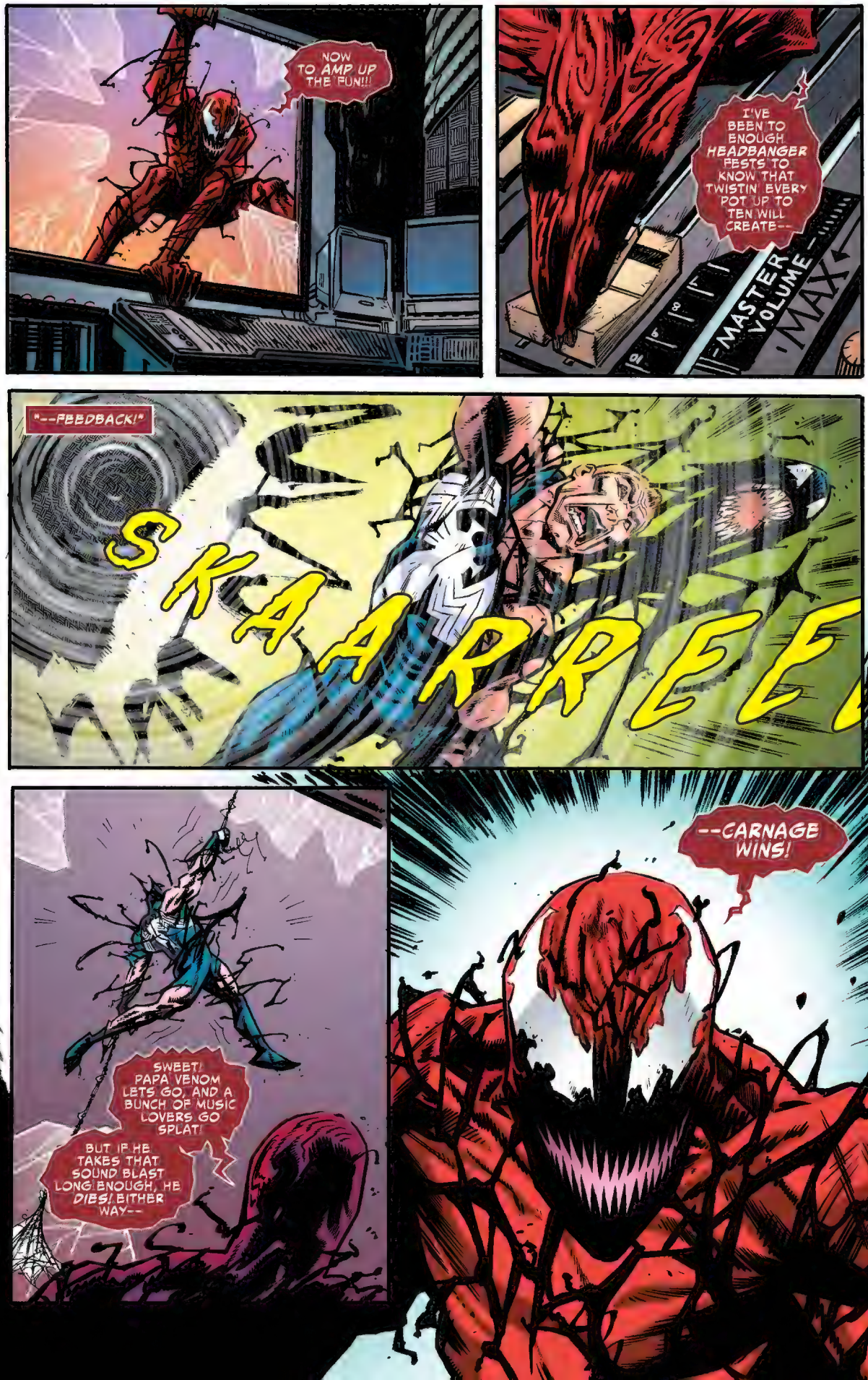
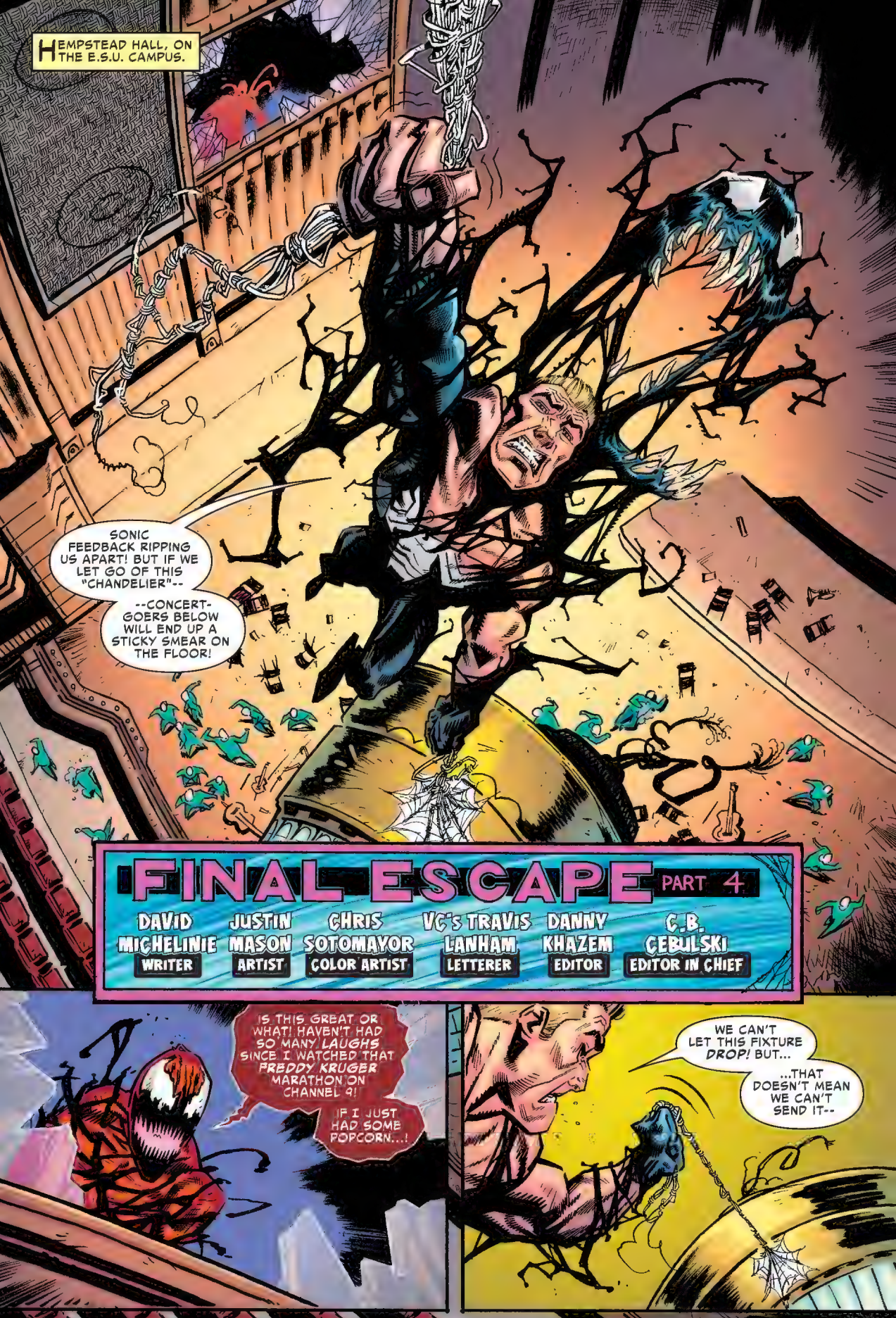

AN' YOU HORN TOOTERS SHOULD GET SOME ELECTRIC GUITARS!
LOUD ONES!
SHREDDIN' A LITTLE METAL WOULD BE A LOT MORE APPROPRIATE--
--FOR A MASS FUNERAL!
MAKE THAT A SINGLE FUNERAL, CARNAGE!
YOURS!
TINKEL-A-KWUNCH

YOUR SYMBIOTE MADE ME, VENOM! I'M THE MODERN YOU!
BUT YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND!
THE FUTURE IS CHAOS, AWARENESS THAT YOU CAN DO ANYTHING YOU WANT--JUST LIKE ME!
EMBRACE IT, AND YOU TOO CAN BECOME--
--A GOD!
NOOOOO!
WHILE AT A NEARBY LABORATORY...
SCREAMS... DESTRUCTION...
...THE VERY THINGS I CREATED MY TIMELINE FOLDER TO ESCAPE!
I SOUGHT TO LIVE WHAT'S LEFT OF MY LIFE IN THE PAST, AWAY FROM THE MADNESS AND BRUTALITY OF CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY.
AND THAT BLOOD-RED MONSTER HAS SHOWN ME--
--IT'S TIME TO DO WHAT I HAVE TO DO!

TOO MANY INNOCENT CIVILIANS! WE NEED TO FIND A WAY TO IMMOBILIZE CARNAGE, STOP THE SLAUGHTER!
YES! THAT COULD WORK! THE SOUND SYSTEM!
THE RIGHT SONIC FREQUENCIES CAN DAMAGE HIM LIKE THEY CAN US!
AH-AH-AH, "DAD"! I FELL FOR THAT ONCE!*
BUT IT CAN'T HAPPEN AGAIN--
*IN AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #363.
--IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING ELSE TO WORRY ABOUT!
YANK
SHPLIP
CHANDELIER MUST WEIGH A TON!
PANICKING AUDIENCE WILL BE CRUSHED UNLESS WE--
PLIP PLLIP
-HWUNG!-


NOW TO AMP UP THE FUN!!!
I'VE BEEN TO ENOUGH HEADBANGER FESTS TO KNOW THAT TWISTIN' EVERY POT UP TO TEN WILL CREATE--
MASTER VOLUME
MAX
"--FEEDBACK!"
SKAARREE
SWEET! PAPA VENOM LETS GO, AND A BUNCH OF MUSIC LOVERS GO SPLAT!
BUT IF HE TAKES THAT SOUND BLAST LONG ENOUGH, HE DIES! EITHER WAY--
--CARNAGE WINS!


HEMPSTEAD HALL, ON THE E.S.U. CAMPUS.
SONIC FEEDBACK RIPPING US APART! BUT IF WE LET GO OF THIS "CHANDELIER"--
--CONCERT-GOERS BELOW WILL END UP A STICKY SMEAR ON THE FLOOR!
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IS THIS GREAT OR WHAT! HAVEN'T HAD SO MANY LAUGHS SINCE I WATCHED THAT FREDDY KRUGER MARATHON ON CHANNEL 9!
IF I JUST HAD SOME POPCORN...!
WE CAN'T LET THIS FIXTURE DROP! BUT...
...THAT DOESN'T MEAN WE CAN'T SEND IT--

--SIDEWAYS!
THHWISSS
KRAKEESH
GOTTA ADMIT, "POP," THAT WAS A SMART MOVE!
BUT I'M NOT TOO SHABBY AT IMPROV MYSELF!
F'R INSTANCE--!
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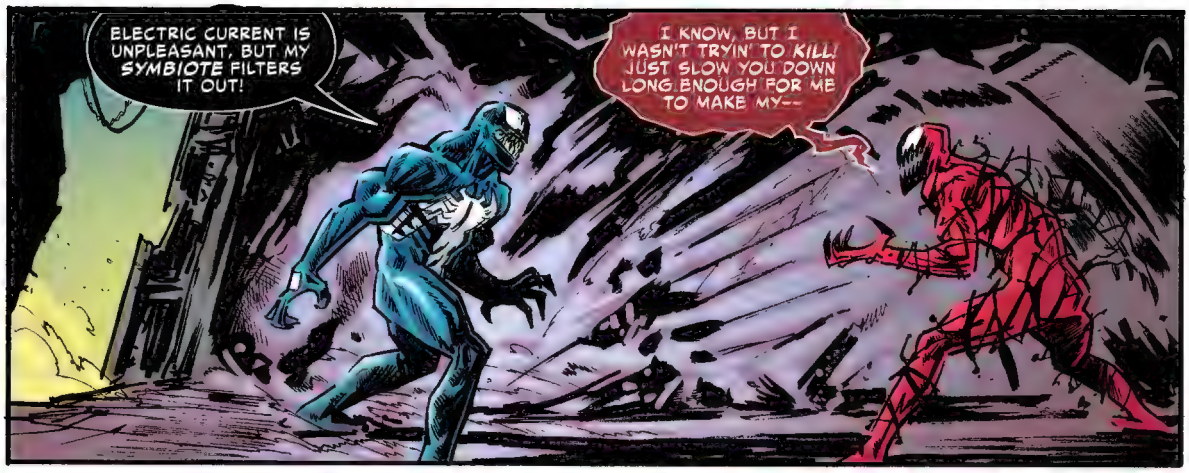
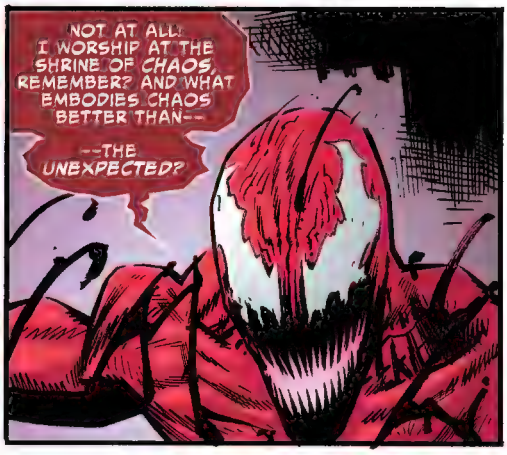
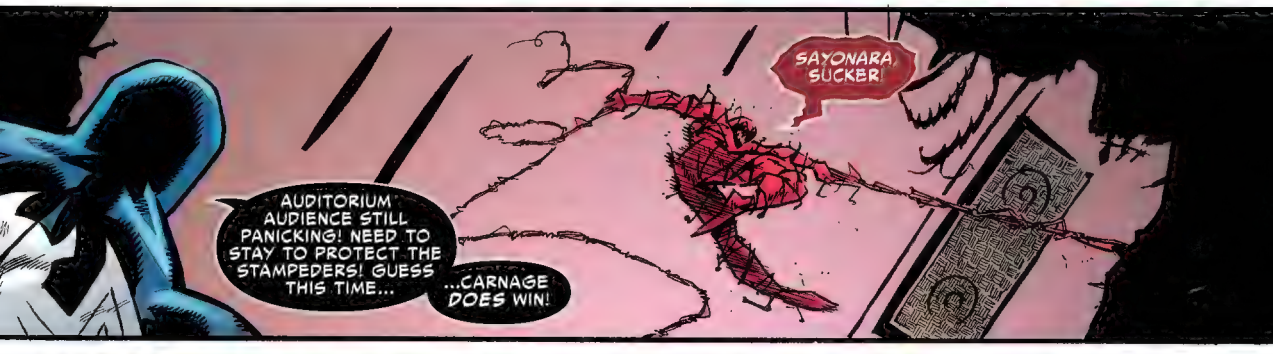
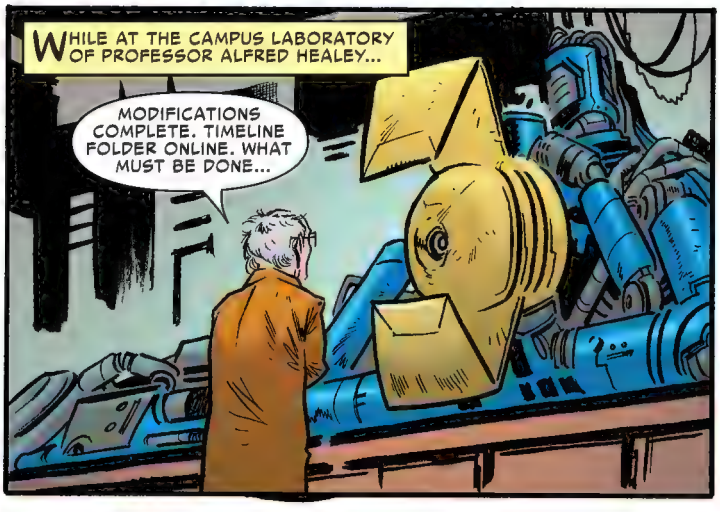
KZZZZZHZZK

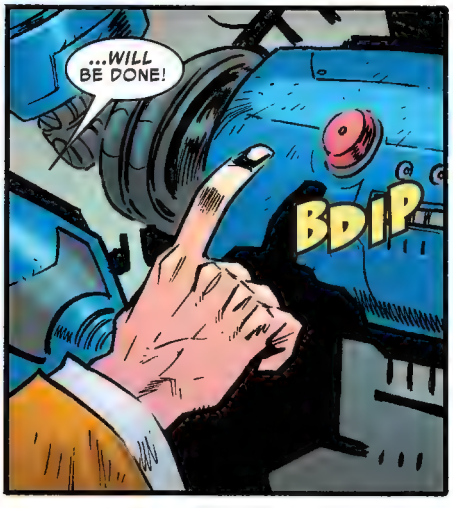

ELECTRIC CURRENT IS UNPLEASANT, BUT MY SYMBIOTE FILTERS IT OUT!
I KNOW, BUT I WASN'T TRYIN' TO KILL! JUST SLOW YOU DOWN LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO MAKE MY--

--EXIT, STAGE LEFT!
WHAT-- RUNNING AWAY? COWARD!


NOT AT ALL! I WORSHIP AT THE SHRINE OF CHAOS, REMEMBER? AND WHAT EMBODIES CHAOS BETTER THAN--
--THE UNEXPECTED?


SAYONARA, SUCKER!
AUDITORIUM AUDIENCE STILL PANICKING! NEED TO STAY TO PROTECT THE STAMPEDERS! GUESS THIS TIME...
...CARNAGE DOES WIN!


WHILE AT THE CAMPUS LABORATORY OF PROFESSOR ALFRED HEALEY...
MODIFICATIONS COMPLETE. TIMELINE FOLDER ONLINE. WHAT MUST BE DONE...


...WILL BE DONE!
BDIP

FIRST RESPONDERS FOCUSING ON THE CONCERT HALL. NOTHING MORE WE CAN DO THERE.
BETTER CHECK ON PROFESSOR HEALEY TO SEE IF--
KA-BA-BOOOM
PROFESSOR! WH-WHAT HAPPENED?
WHAT WAS... NECESSARY.
I REALIZED... I COULDN'T TAKE MY TIME DEVICE... WITH ME. BUT IF I LEFT IT HERE...SOME LUNATIC LIKE CARNAGE...MIGHT USE IT TO CREATE UNIMAGINABLE HORROR.
EXACTLY WHAT I SOUGHT... TO LEAVE BEHIND.
IRONIC... ISN'T IT? I JUST WANTED... TO ESCAPE...TO A BETTER PLACE.
AND NOW...I SUPPOSE... I AM...

HOLY CROW! WH-WHAT HAPPENED HERE?!
ANYONE STILL ALIVE?
JUST US.
NOW.
AND SOON, ON A NEARBY ROOFTOP...
SPIDER-MAN RUINED YOUR LIFE THEN RUINED MINE.
SO WE DEDICATED OURSELVES TO PROTECTING OTHERS WHO WERE INNOCENT, LIKE WE WERE.
BUT IT'S STILL PAINFUL TO ACCEPT THAT WE CAN'T SAVE EVERYONE, THAT ALL WE CAN EVER REALLY DO...
...IS TRY.
THE END!

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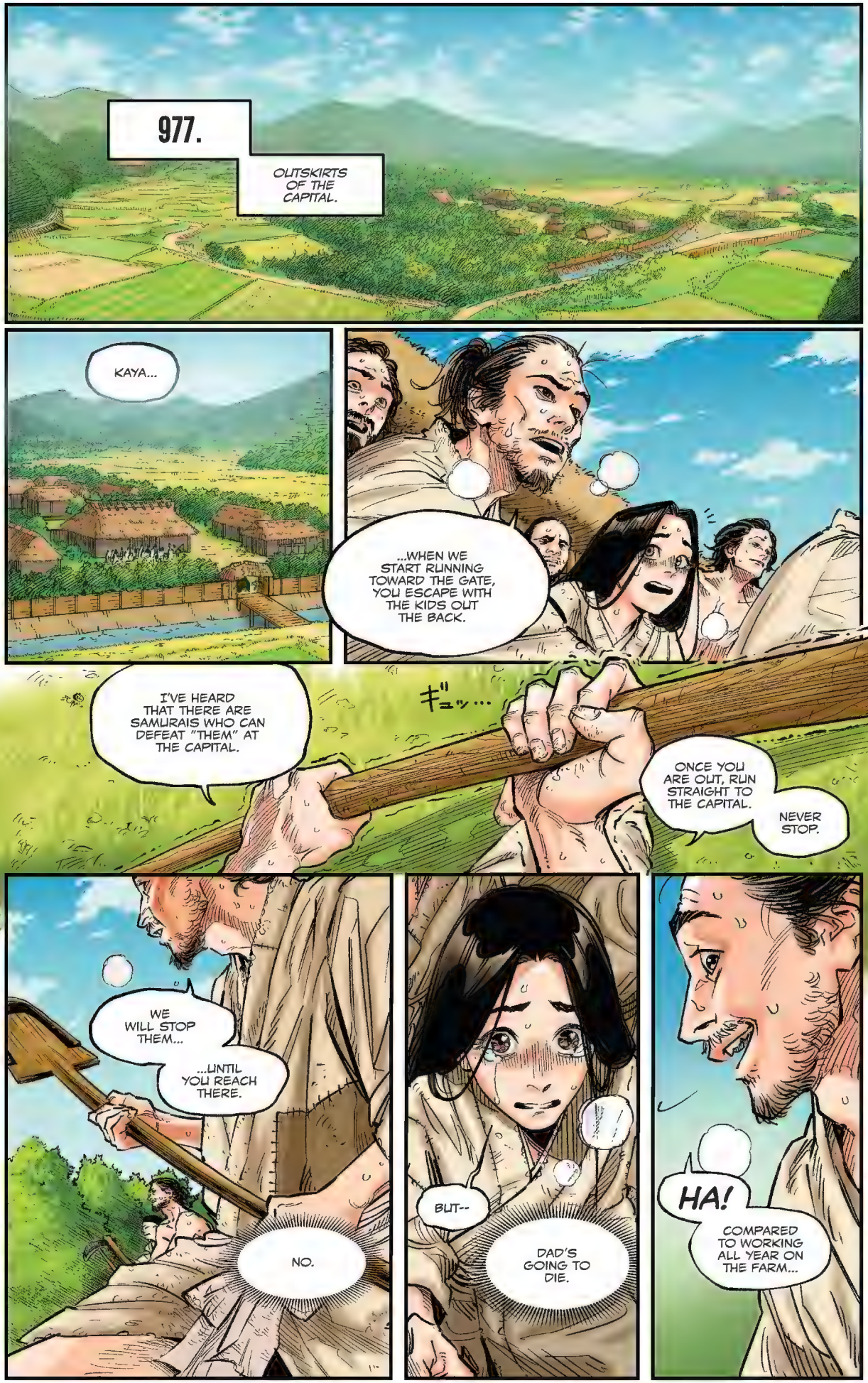
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OUTSKIRTS OF THE CAPITAL.
KAYA...
...WHEN WE START RUNNING TOWARD THE GATE, YOU ESCAPE WITH THE KIDS OUT THE BACK.
I'VE HEARD THAT THERE ARE SAMURAIS WHO CAN DEFEAT "THEM" AT THE CAPITAL.
ギュッ…
ONCE YOU ARE OUT, RUN STRAIGHT TO THE CAPITAL.
NEVER STOP.
WE WILL STOP THEM...
...UNTIL YOU REACH THERE.
NO.
BUT--
DAD'S GOING TO DIE.
HA!
COMPARED TO WORKING ALL YEAR ON THE FARM...

...DEALING WITH AN ONI FOR A SHORT WHILE IS LIKE...
...NOTHING!
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LET'S GO!
WE MUST PROTECT OUR VILLAGE'S TREASURE!
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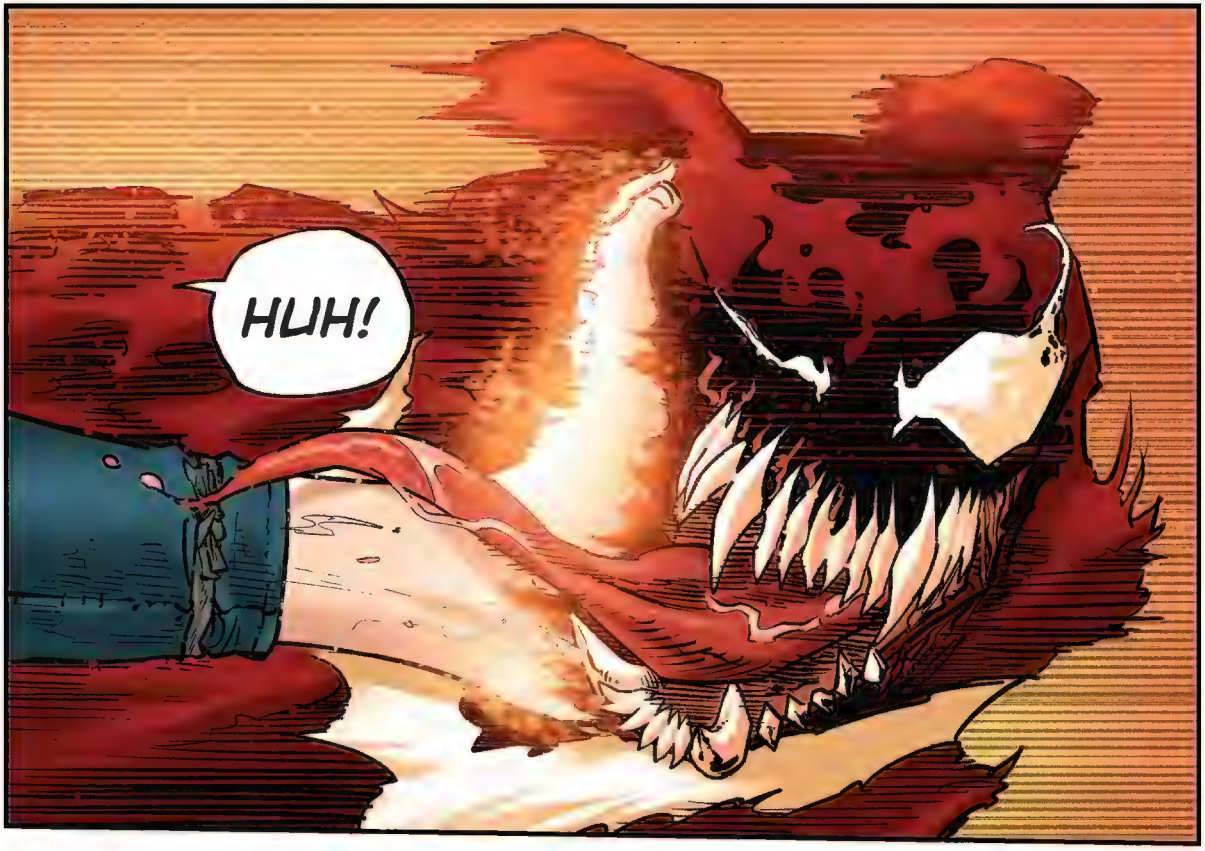
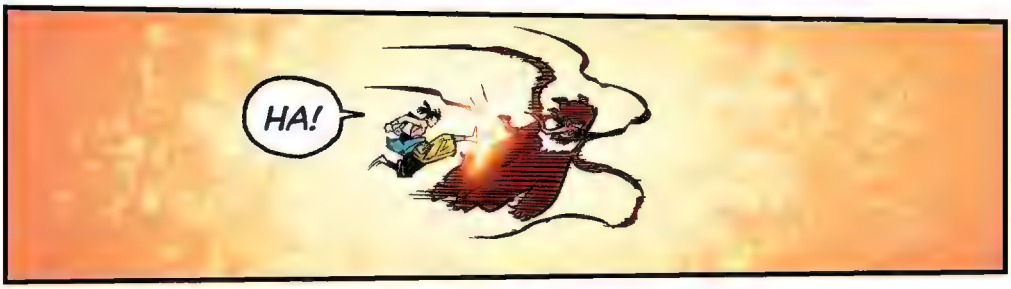
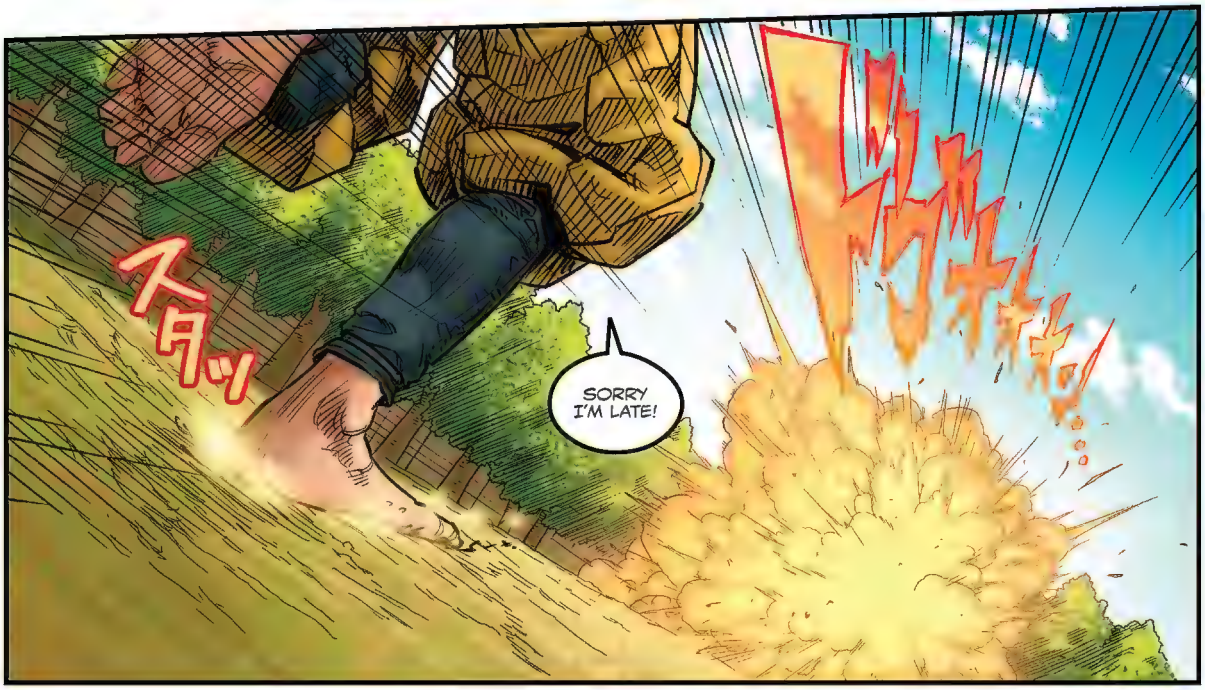
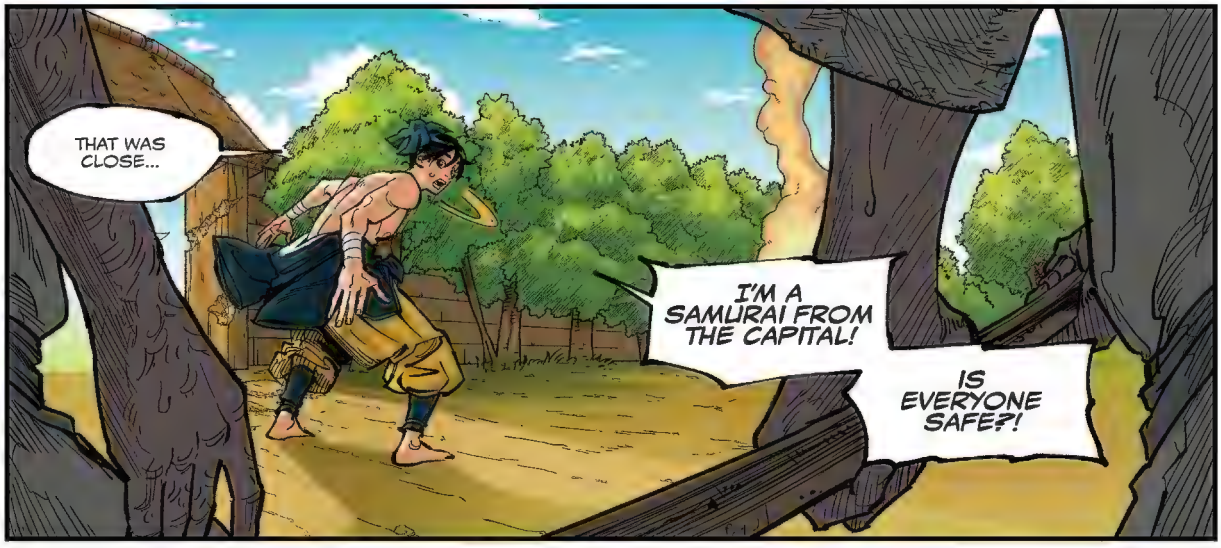


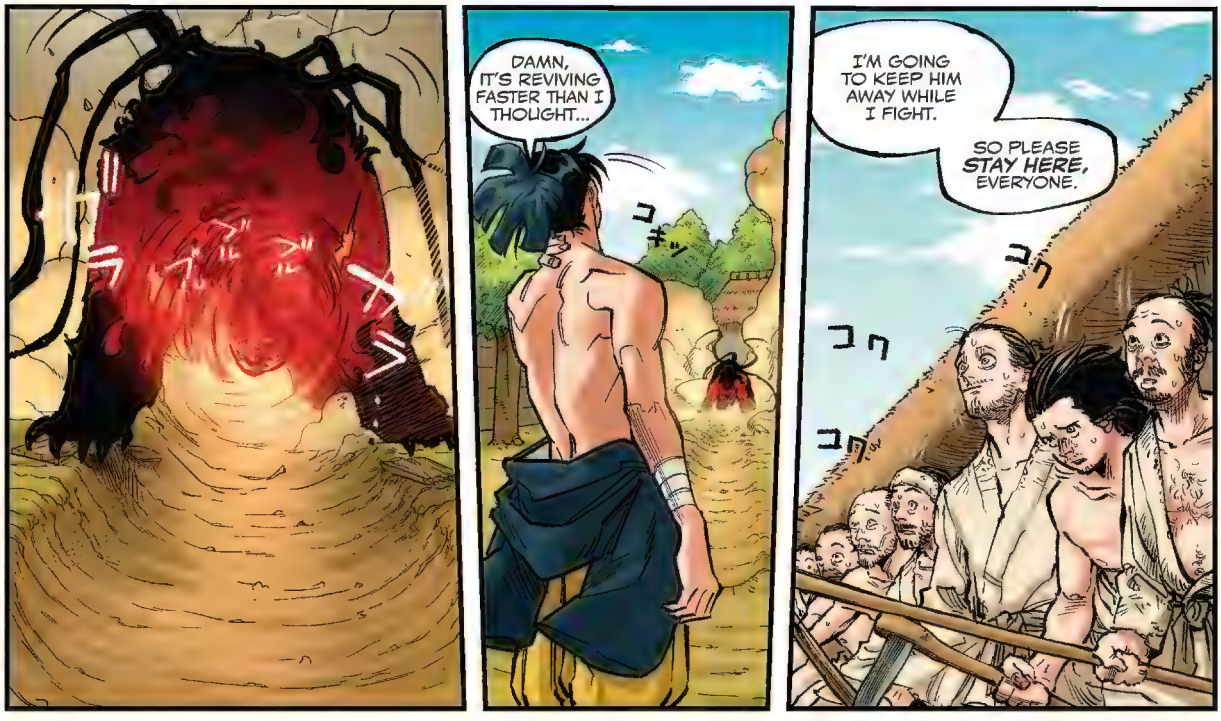


ONCE UPON A TIME,
THERE LIVED A VERY STRONG
BOY ON **MOUNT ASHIGARA.**





LATER, THE BOY WOULD BECOME A LEGENDARY SAMURAI, AND HIS STORY WOULD BE TOLD FOR **DECADES.**



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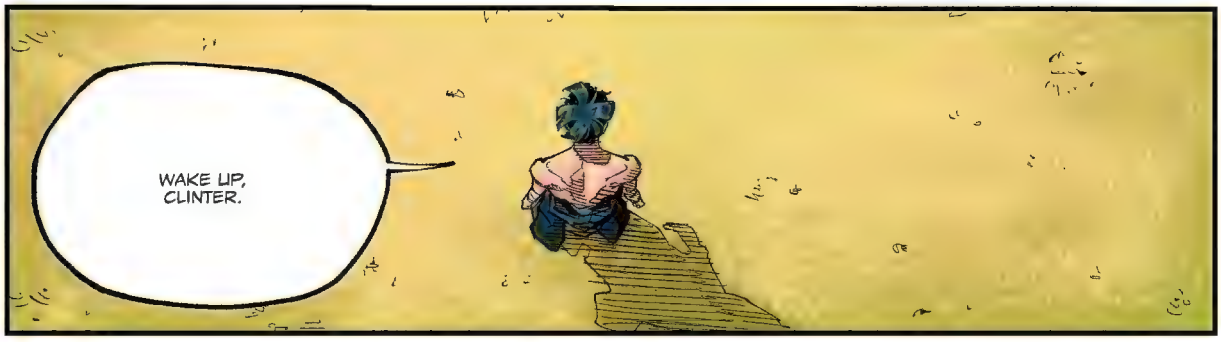

...WAS KINTARO.

MEAL TIME.
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KIDVENOM
BY TAIGAMI, GURU-EFX & VC's CLAYTON COWLES

WAKE UP, CLINTER.

SO...
...YOU HAVE FINALLY FOUND THE NEXT SYMBIOTE.

IT HAS BEEN TOO LONG SINCE THE LAST EVIL SPAWN SHOWED UP.

WELL THEN...

...TIME TO EAT.
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KID VENOM!
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COLOR ART BY GURU-EFX
LETTERING BY VC'S CLAYTON COWLES

A-ANOTHER O-ONI...?!
DON'T WORRY!
WE ARE NOT LIKE THE OTHERS. WE KEEP OUR SANITY WHEN BONDED!

THERE SHOULDN'T BE MUCH COLLATERAL DAMAGE IF I TAKE THE FIGHT TO THE SKY!
I AM NOT GOING TO GET ANYONE HURT UP HERE.
WE ARE GOING TO DEVOUR HIM IN THE SKY, CLINTER!
GOT IT.
CHANGE TO FALC--
?
WE'RE STILL SAMURAI!

SYMBIOTE OFFSPRING?!
OH MAN!
ALL OF THEM AT ONCE?!
IT'S TRYING TO MAKE THE VILLAGERS HOSTS TO MAKE MORE ONIS.
IT'S AFRAID OF US.
CLINTER!
I'M ON IT.

EEK!
CHANGE TO...
...FALCON.
WE'LL RIP THAT THING OFF YOU SOON ENOUGH, BEAR.
NO MATTER HOW MANY SYMBIOTE OFFSPRING YOU MAKE, THAT MEANS NOTHING TO US, YOU LITTLE PUNK.

THE PARASITIC LIFE-FORMS CALLED SYMBIOTES FEED OFF THEIR HOST'S ADRENALINE.
THEIR BOND STRENGTHENS THE HOST'S ABILITIES, AND BY LEARNING AND EVOLVING AS THEY GROW.
BUT...
...CLINTER, THE SYMBIOTE ATTACHED TO KINTARO, DOES NOT FEED ON ADRENALINE.
INSTEAD, IT NEEDS TO EAT OTHER SYMBIOTES TO SURVIVE.
WHEN IT DOES, IT ALSO ABSORBS THE MEMORIES OF THE OTHER SYMBIOTES AND THEIR HOSTS...
...AND EVOLVES.
SINCE KINTARO IS BONDED TO CLINTER...
ズズズ...
CHANGE TO...

...FALCON FORM!

...ALL THE POWERS FROM THE ONI HE'S CONSUMED HAVE BECOME HIS. LIKE THE FALCON.

WHY IS HE UP IN THE AIR?!

ARGH!

STORY AND ART BY TAIGAMI

COLOR ART BY GURU-EFX

LETTERING BY VC's CLAYTON COWLES

Ep-3 Kid Venom

CLINTER!

EAT IT!

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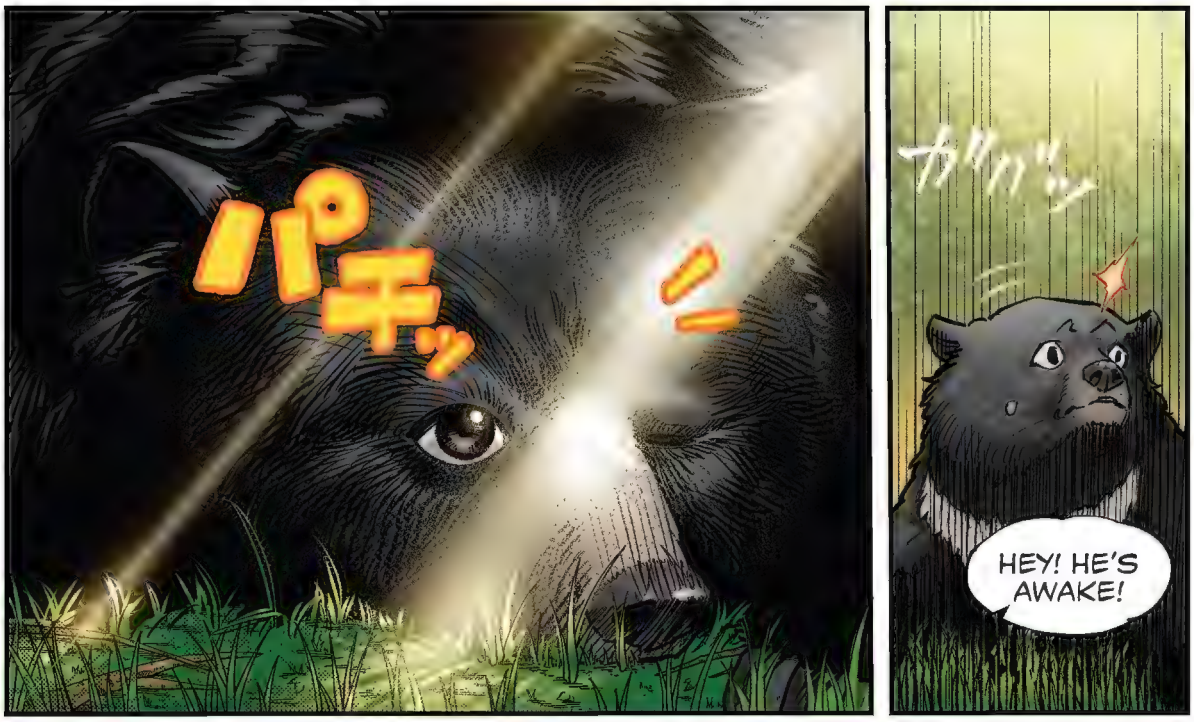
ゴキュッ
ゴキュッ
¡GASP!

KOFF!!
HAVE PATIENCE...
WE'LL GET YOU BACK, BEAR!
ズーン...
JUST A BIT MORE...
ゴキュ...
ゴキュッ

I...
...ADMIRE STRONG BEASTS, LIKE YOU.
I'M SURE THERE IS NO ANIMAL THAT'S DARED TO RIVAL YOU...
...BECAUSE YOU ARE SO STRONG.
AND...
...TO LIVE FREELY, LIKE YOU DO...
...YOU NEED POWER.
SPEAKING OF...
...THE DEEP TOLD ME...
...THAT YOU'RE THE ONE IN CONTROL HERE.
KING OF THESE HILLS.
BEAR...
ズズ...
...GIVE THAT POWER TO THE TRUE KING... ME.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HEY! HE'S AWAKE!

EP.4

HOW'RE YOU FEELING?
KID VENOM
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LETTERING BY VC'S CLAYTON COWLES

WHERE AM I...?
IT'S YOUR DEN! I SAW IT IN YOUR MEMORIES ONCE I ATE THE SYMBIOTE THAT WAS CONTROLLING YOU. SO I BROUGHT YOU HERE.
SORRY I LOOKED AT YOUR MEMORIES WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION.
DADDY!
ガバッ
わっ
DADDY'S ALIVE!
うわぁぁぁん
TOKICHI...!
I ATE THE ENTIRE ONI THAT WAS POSSESSING YOU. YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY NOW.
TH-THANK YOU...
BUT...
...WHY CAN I TALK...?
OH!
THAT COMES FROM THE ONI.
SINCE I ATE YOUR ONI, WE CAN TALK TO EACH OTHER NOW.
ANYWAY...

...I'M GLAD YOU'RE ALL RIGHT!
THANK YOU SO MUCH.
キュッ
THAT'LL DO IT.
OKAY, TENSUKE...
...GET THIS LETTER TO RAIKO-SAN, FULL SPEED!
ROGER!

WHAT ARE YOU UP TO AFTER THIS, KIN?
I HAVE TO GO BACK TO THAT VILLAGE.
I WANT TO HELP THEM REPAIR THE DAMAGE THAT WAS DONE.
I SEE...
AFTER THAT, I'LL HEAD BACK.
OKAY THEN, I'M GOING!
THANKS!
ALL RIGHT.
ONE MORE TIME!
KYOTO. THE HOUSE OF MINAMOTO RAIKO.
THE SON OF SHUTEN DOJI IS VERY CLOSE...
HM...
I MUST...
CLINTER, YOU AWAKE?
...
YOU ARE GOING TO HELP ME, RIGHT?
...
C'MON!
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KILL ALL VENOMS!

AFTER BEING SPURNED BY CLETUS KASADY AND REMAKING ITSELF IN KNULL'S IMAGE, the Carnage symbiote has been building up its powers, extracting unique abilities from villains all across the Marvel Universe. Now, at last, it is ready to traverse the Multiverse with one goal in mind: kill any and all Venoms! But why? And who is the Agent Venom battling across realities to stop it?! As Carnage's savage, symbiotic rampage through realities threatens to end the Venomverse, will Agent Venom manage to recruit enough allies to even stand a chance? Or could it be that Carnage is destined to win? Plus: Legendary creator David Michelinie brings you a classic tale in the vein of VENOM: LETHAL PROTECTOR – or is there more than meets the eye? And brace yourself for Venom Boy!

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